

A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS BE URGED TO CREATE
A PUBLIC SERVICE ACADEMY.

WHEREAS, the United States faces serious domestic and international problems in the twenty-first century and needs more young people to go into public service as teachers, police officers, nonprofit leaders and other important public jobs; and

WHEREAS, a public service academy will provide a consistent flow of highly qualified, service-oriented young leaders; and

WHEREAS, many young people want to serve their country, but prefer to serve in a civilian capacity; and

WHEREAS, this country needs a public service academy that will be the nation's first national college devoted to public service outside of the military; and

WHEREAS, many young people enter college wanting to serve their country, but cannot afford to pursue public service after graduation because they have accumulated too much debt; and

WHEREAS, a public service academy will give service-minded young people the opportunity to serve their country without enduring financial hardship; and

WHEREAS, a public service academy will offer a unique

campus that is devoted to public service and that will bring young people from every part of the country to live, study and serve together; and

WHEREAS, a public service academy will build a corps of civilian leaders who have the moral character, academic training and leadership experience necessary to serve the American people honorably and effectively and who are committed to devoting their lives to public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United States congress be urged to pass the necessary legislation to create the United States public service academy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the New Mexico congressional delegation.