

A MEMORIAL

HONORING BRIAN KEITH URLACHER, MIDDLE LINEBACKER OF THE CHICAGO BEARS AND FORMER UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO AND LOVINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL STAR.

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher, "monster of the midway", captured the attention and the hearts of many a New Mexican as he entered the national football league's biggest game, super bowl forty-one in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher was national football league defensive player of the year in 2006; and

WHEREAS, New Mexicans invest their pride in the great "Url" and his feats on the field and especially appreciate his enthusiastic recognition of his New Mexico roots; and

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher, admired and respected at his alma mater Lovington high school when he led the wildcats to a 1995 class 3A championship, became a full-fledged hero after donating forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) for the Lovington high school weight room and agreed to provide shoes for all Lovington varsity players; and

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher has returned his fame and fortune to New Mexico through a one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) indoor practice facility at the university of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher has returned to participate in

charity basketball games in Lovington for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, Brian Urlacher also has held annual summer camps at the university of New Mexico, speaks on behalf of the university of New Mexico program, gave an early donation of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to the university's Lobo club for the football program and donated a twenty-three-thousand-five-hundred-dollar (\$23,500) prize he won to special Olympics of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, New Mexicans can be proud both of Brian Urlacher's prowess and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, all New Mexicans can benefit from Brian Urlacher's exemplary attitude, taking pride in New Mexico and investing in his home state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Brian Urlacher be recognized as a true favorite son of New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Brian Urlacher be thanked for his tremendous generosity and congratulated on his many accomplishments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to Brian Urlacher and to each of his children, to Lovington high school and to the university of New Mexico football program.