## A JOINT MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE SANTA FE DESERT CHORALE FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CULTURAL LIFE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe desert chorale seeks to enrich the lives of New Mexico residents, enhance the experience of visitors and promote the wider appreciation of choral music through presentation of concerts by an ensemble of professional singers and the sponsorship of youth education programs and community outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, the chorale is one of fewer than fifty professional choral ensembles in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the chorale performs for local and tourist audiences in Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Taos and also reaches a national audience through recordings and radio broadcasts; and

WHEREAS, the chorale is committed to nurturing the future of choral singing through its Santa Fe desert chorale children's chorus; and

WHEREAS, the chorale has honored New Mexico's Hispanic heritage by touring the historic churches of the state and performing previously neglected choral works of the Spanish colonial period; and

WHEREAS, the chorale is celebrating its twenty-fifth

1	anniversary of glorious voices and timeless music in 2007;
2	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
3	STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition and congratulations be
4	expressed to the Santa Fe desert chorale for its contributions
5	to the cultural life of the state of New Mexico; and
6	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
7	transmitted to the music director of the desert chorale, the
8	cultural affairs department and the mayor of Santa FeSJM 46
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