

1 A MEMORIAL

2 WELCOMING MICHAEL COOPER AS AN HONORARY MEMBER OF THE NEW
3 MEXICO STATE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, it is a widely known truism that New Mexico's
6 low per diem rate and the rigors of running a political
7 campaign are obstacles that keep many qualified New Mexicans
8 from running for office; and

9 WHEREAS, the New Mexico senate works diligently to
10 ensure that a wide range of New Mexicans' views are heard
11 during the legislative process; and

12 WHEREAS, Michael Cooper is an outstanding New Mexican
13 who cares deeply about the land of enchantment and who would
14 no doubt make many valuable contributions to the
15 deliberations of the senate but who has not been afforded
16 that opportunity, given his myriad other duties and
17 responsibilities; and

18 WHEREAS, Michael Cooper has dedicated himself to
19 coaching the senate basketball team, and, while he is an
20 outstanding coach as demonstrated by the narrowing margins of
21 the senate's less-than-victorious performances in the
22 house-senate basketball games, there is no doubt that Coach
23 Cooper would contribute more to the team as Senator Cooper;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7 of the constitution of

1 New Mexico makes each house of the legislature the judge of
2 the qualifications of its members;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Michael Cooper be made an honorary
5 member of the New Mexico senate with all of the rights and
6 none of the responsibilities of a senator; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as soon as Mr. Cooper
8 accepts his new position, the senate boldly and confidently
9 challenge the house to a rematch. _____

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