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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

DEPARTMENT, THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, NEW

MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY AND NEW MEXICO DAIRY FARMERS TO

COOPERATE TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF ALTERNATIVE USES OF

DAIRY BIOMASS FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY PRODUCTS SUCH AS

PLASTIC, BUILDING MATERIALS OR OTHER PRODUCTS.

WHEREAS, New Mexico dairy farmers produce a natural biomass; and

WHEREAS, dairy farmers are the first true conservationists; and

WHEREAS, dairy farmers are in need of additional funding sources to sustain their enterprises; and

WHEREAS, dairy farmers desire to find other alternatives for their biomass;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the energy, minerals and natural resources department, the New Mexico department of agriculture, New Mexico state university and New Mexico dairy farmers be requested to cooperate to investigate the possibility of alternative uses of dairy biomass for environmentally friendly products such as plastic, building materials or other products; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the secretary of energy, minerals and natural resources, the director of the New Mexico department of agriculture, the president of New Mexico state university and the executive director of the dairy producers of New Mexico.

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