

A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING RUTH ORTIZ FOR HER YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE NEW MEXICO STATE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz, a lifelong resident of Santa Fe and a long-time employee of the legislature, began her career at the legislature in 1959 as a committee secretary in a secretarial pool for the house of representatives; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz remained an employee with the house of representatives from 1959 until 1967, working part time for Representatives Jack Morgan, Fred Foster and Ray Davenport; and

WHEREAS, while Ruth Ortiz worked part time in the house of representatives, she raised her children, Olivia, Mardell, David, Art, Teresa and Alan, dedicating herself to their upbringing, providing them with excellent educational foundations and setting their courses for fulfillment in life; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, Ruth Ortiz began her career at the legislative council service, where she served for twenty-three years, until she retired in June 1990; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, the indefatigable Ruth Ortiz went to work for the senate as a committee secretary, where she remained for the next seven years; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Ruth Ortiz next served as a committee

secretary in the house of representatives, working under Representative Danice Picraux in the majority office; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz worked on the house education committee from 2000 until 2006 with Representative Rick Miera; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz currently serves as committee secretary to the house judiciary committee under Representative Al Park; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz is known to maintain a calm and unflappable manner even under the greatest of pressure; and

WHEREAS, those with whom and for whom Ruth Ortiz has worked say that Ruth has been a valuable and valued staff member who has exhibited the highest of professional standards in all of her job capacities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Ruth Ortiz be recognized and thanked for her many years of dedicated service in the house of representatives, in the senate and at the legislative council service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to Ruth Ortiz.