HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 8

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

APPROVING THE INSTALLATION OF A PLAQUE FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS RECOGNIZING ALL NEW MEXICANS FOR THEIR HELP AND SUPPORT DURING AND IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE CERRO GRANDE FIRE OF 2000.

WHEREAS, the residents of the county of Los Alamos, as part of their community's sixtieth anniversary celebration, wish to recognize the residents of New Mexico for their help and support during and in the aftermath of the Cerro Grande fire of 2000 by donating a plaque to that effect to be installed at the capitol; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico legislative council policies require that the installation of such a plaque be approved by a two-thirds' vote in each house upon the recommendation of the capitol recognition subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, the subcommittee met on January 19, 2009 and

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1   approved the placement of such a plaque in the west lobby of

2   the capitol, which is the lobby of the capitol facing the

3   county of Los Alamos; and

4   WHEREAS, the donated plaque would be inscribed

5   substantially as follows:

6   "Dedicated to the People of the State of New Mexico

7   When the Cerro Grande Fire roared out of the mountains and

8   attacked Los Alamos in the year 2000, you — our neighbors —

9   helped us. You sent firefighters, police, National Guard

10 members and assistance of every kind. When our entire county

11 was evacuated, you took us into your homes, made space for us

12 in your schools and businesses, and even sent in teams to

13 search for our pets. When the fire was over and many of us

14 found that our homes were gone or heavily damaged, you provided

15 clothing, blankets and sympathy. Bless you! We will never

16 forget your kindness.

17   The People of the County of Los Alamos";

18   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the acceptance and installation of the

20 plaque donated by the residents of the county of Los Alamos be

21 approved.

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