

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT TO STUDY THE
FEASIBILITY OF DESIGNATING THE TUCUMCARI RAILROAD DEPOT AS THE
STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM.

WHEREAS, the Tucumcari railroad depot was built in 1926
and is the only original Spanish architecture railroad depot
in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the city of Tucumcari has approved the use of
state economic development funds for restoring the railroad
depot; and

WHEREAS, the Tucumcari main street board has designed
long-term plans that include the restored railroad depot as
the central feature of a revitalized downtown commercial
district; and

WHEREAS, Tucumcari and Quay county have a long history
of railroad activity, stretching back to the days when
Tucumcari was known as "Six Shooter Siding"; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of the Southern Pacific and
Union Pacific railroads are not highlighted in any other
museum in New Mexico;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the cultural affairs department be
requested to study the feasibility of designating the
Tucumcari railroad depot as the state railroad museum; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the office of the governor and the secretary of cultural affairs.