

A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE NEW MEXICO MUSIC INDUSTRY AND THE ROLE THAT NEW MEXICO'S MUSIC COMMISSION HAS PLAYED IN PROMOTING THE INDUSTRY.

WHEREAS, the New Mexico music industry is a thriving enterprise in the state, made up of diverse musicians and composers as well as the hundreds of people who serve those artists through recording, musical instrument and equipment sales or service and other music-related support industries; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is home to a diverse group of musicians, including Al Hurricane and Al Hurricane, Jr., SPARX, Tobias Rene, Lorenzo Antonio and Darren Cordova; and

WHEREAS, many other talented New Mexico musicians and composers have recorded hit albums, had their compositions performed or had their work featured in motion pictures, television shows or commercials; and

WHEREAS, along with the famous Norman Petty studios in Clovis, New Mexico, where Buddy Holly recorded, there are nearly one hundred recording studios located in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the success of the New Mexico music industry, especially the recent national success of several New Mexico musicians, promotes the economy of New Mexico by portraying

the state as a place that supports the development of the music industry; and

WHEREAS, one reason for the success of the New Mexico music industry is the promotion of the industry by the state's music commission; and

WHEREAS, the music commission was formed by executive order of Governor Richardson in 2005 and was codified into law in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the music commission has promoted New Mexico's music industry throughout the United States, sponsoring several national conferences on music in film and a public television show on New Mexico music and tourism;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that New Mexico's music commission's work in promoting the state's music industry be recognized and continue to be supported by the state of New Mexico because of the positive attention New Mexico's thriving music industry brings to the state, the jobs that are created in the music industry and the support the commission provides to residents of New Mexico who are involved in the music industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the members of New Mexico's music commission.