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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 3

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2011

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING THE MEMORY OF JOE S. SANDO, NATIVE AMERICAN PUEBLO
HISTORIAN, AUTHOR, PROFESSOR AND LECTURER.

WHEREAS, Joe S. Sando was born into the Sun clan at the Pueblo of Jemez in 1923, grew up speaking Towa, his tribal language, joined the United States Navy during World War II for three years then earned a bachelor's degree from eastern New Mexico university and attended Vanderbilt university on the G.I. bill; and

WHEREAS, Joe S. Sando taught Pueblo Indian history at the university of New Mexico, the institute of American Indian arts in Santa Fe and United States international university, lectured throughout the world on the history and culture of the Pueblo Indian people and promoted the accomplishments and evolving history of the Pueblo people of New Mexico; and

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1 WHEREAS, Joe S. Sando wrote a half-dozen books addressing
2 the complex history of the Pueblo people and correcting
3 inaccurate portrayals; and

4 WHEREAS, in 1976, Joe S. Sando co-founded the institute
5 for Pueblo Indian studies at the Indian Pueblo cultural center
6 in Albuquerque, gathered much of the institute's archival
7 information while researching and compiling Pueblo history and
8 served as the director for eighteen years; and

9 WHEREAS, Joe S. Sando was the first chairman of the all
10 Indian Pueblo housing authority and the first chairman of the
11 state judicial council and served on numerous boards throughout
12 the state, including the Chamiza foundation, national Hispanic
13 cultural center, national Indian education committee, New
14 Mexico council of American Indians and New Mexico state fair
15 Indian village committee; and

16 WHEREAS, Joe S. Sando received the Bravos award for
17 excellence in literary arts; an outstanding alumni award from
18 eastern New Mexico university; the state heritage preservation
19 award; the excellence in the humanities award; the lifetime
20 achievement award of Indian librarians and Indian history
21 teachers; the Eugene Crawford memorial peace pipe award; the
22 SWAIA lifetime achievement award; and the lifetime achievement
23 award from the all Indian Pueblo council; and

24 WHEREAS, in 2007, Joe S. Sando received an honorary doctor
25 of letters from the university of New Mexico;

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