A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF ROBERT M. HAWK.

WHEREAS, Robert M. Hawk was born in Purcell, Oklahoma, on November 13, 1924 and passed away on June 7, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Robert M. Hawk moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1946, and he graduated from the university of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from Sandia national laboratories, he dedicated himself to serving the community of Albuquerque and the state of New Mexico in many ways; and

WHEREAS, Robert M. Hawk served on various boards, including the board of New Mexico's state psychiatric hospital, the board of trustees of the university of New Mexico hospitals and the advisory board of the Sequoyah adolescent treatment center; and

WHEREAS, he was called to public service and served for six years as a Bernalillo county commissioner and for fourteen years as a New Mexico state representative; and

WHEREAS, during his time in the legislature,
Representative Hawk championed mental health issues,
particularly those involving children, and he sponsored major
legislation to address the issue of driving while intoxicated,
legislation which has saved thousands of lives; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hawk chaired the house taxation

and revenue committee from 1991 to 1994 and, with uncompromising ethics, was a steadfast steward of the state budget and tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, he also served on various other standing committees, including the appropriations and finance committee, the consumer and public affairs committee and the labor and human resources committee; and

WHEREAS, through his extensive public service and community involvement, Robert M. Hawk lived a life that served as an inspiration to others of the joy of service to one's community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize the life and many accomplishments of Robert M. Hawk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that heartfelt condolences be extended to the family and many friends of Robert M. Hawk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the family of Robert M. Hawk.