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HOUSE MEMORIAL 35

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012

INTRODUCED BY

Sheryl Williams Stapleton

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

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

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

9 WHEREAS, Representative Hawk chaired the house taxation
10 and revenue committee from 1991 to 1994 and, with
11 uncompromising ethics, was a steadfast steward of the state
12 budget and tax revenues; and

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

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

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

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

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