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HIGHLIGHTING THE EVER-GROWING CONCERN THAT STATE SOVEREIGNTY
AND PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERSHIP IS BEING ERODED BY AGREEMENTS,
TREATIES AND ORDERS AS EXEMPLIFIED BY THE UNITED NATIONS AGENDA
21 PROPOSAL.

WHEREAS, there is an ever-growing concern that state
sovereignty and private property ownership is slowly being
eroded by out-of-state, out-of-country and nondomestic
jurisdictions, such as international treaties, trade
agreements, laws, policies, presidential executive orders and
guidelines and suggestions, as exemplified by the United
Nations agenda 21 proposal; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations agenda 21 is a comprehensive
plan for sustainable development involving environmental,
social engineering and geopolitical influences initiated at the

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1 behest of the United Nations conference on environment and
2 development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1992; and

3 WHEREAS, comprehensive plans such as agenda 21 are very
4 subtle in the manner in which they are initially proposed to
5 local communities and states through the international council
6 of local environmental initiatives and local sustainable
7 development policies such as smart growth, wildlands project,
8 global biodiversity projects, resilient cities, regional
9 visioning projects and other green or alternative projects; and

10 WHEREAS, financial benefits, funding, grants and other
11 financial considerations are being provided to local and state
12 governments as inducements for implementation of such
13 comprehensive plans for sustainable development; and

14 WHEREAS, these comprehensive plans have an initial benign
15 appearance with implications that are not apparent at first
16 blush and only become known and fully understood when
17 consideration is given to the future effects on private
18 property ownership and usage of lands, farms, ranches,
19 traditional agriculture, single-family buildings, vehicles, the
20 right to travel and historical consumerism as expressed by
21 personal choice and liberty; and

22 WHEREAS, to fully understand the impact of agenda 21
23 requires a sensitivity to private ownership that currently is
24 not reflected in such comprehensive plans for states to adopt
25 sustainable development and infrastructures that do not seem to

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1 coexist with current domestic policies; and

2 WHEREAS, caution must be exercised as the rule of the day
3 to protect all aspects of private property ownership, and it is
4 better to be safe than sorry when it comes to putting liberties
5 in jeopardy; and

6 WHEREAS, once taken, individual rights will take time to
7 restore, and justice delayed is justice denied; and

8 WHEREAS, there is great concern among a significant
9 portion of the population within the state that the agenda 21
10 plan is an attempt to expand the United Nations' realm of
11 influence and control by introducing seemingly benign "feel
12 good" agendas and comprehensive plans that have the potential
13 to be misused and have detrimental effects on private property
14 ownership and usage;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it acknowledge
17 the ever-growing concern that state sovereignty and private
18 property ownership is being eroded by agreements, treaties and
19 orders as exemplified by the United Nations agenda 21 proposal;
20 and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state sovereignty is vital to
22 protecting private property ownership, usage of lands, farms,
23 ranches, traditional agriculture, single-family buildings and
24 vehicles and is also vital to the right to travel and
25 historical consumerism as expressed by personal choice; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state sovereignty is a
2 cornerstone of freedom and liberty; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that New Mexico is not legally
4 bound by the United Nations agenda 21 treaty, which has never
5 been endorsed by the United States senate; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
7 transmitted to the president of the Untied States, members of
8 the New Mexico congressional delegation, the governor, cabinet
9 secretaries of all New Mexico executive agencies and the
10 appropriate interim legislative committee.