

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING MARCH 2, 2017 "JERRY SANDEL DAY" AT THE HOUSE OF  
3 REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, Jerry W. Sandel is a strong supporter of San  
6 Juan county youth; and

7 WHEREAS, Jerry was elected in 1970 to the New Mexico  
8 house of representatives at the age of twenty-eight; and

9 WHEREAS, he served for thirty years and toward the end  
10 of his tenure, he represented the single most Republican  
11 voting performance district represented by a Democrat in the  
12 United States; and

13 WHEREAS, he is a respected businessman throughout the  
14 state; and

15 WHEREAS, he is a supporter of the boys and girls club of  
16 San Juan county; and

17 WHEREAS, as representative, he was known as a guy that  
18 could work with both sides of the aisle; and

19 WHEREAS, he led the house and senate to support key  
20 initiatives, including the stripper well incentive,  
21 legislation to set up the oil and gas advanced payment and  
22 legislation to assist the state in a budget crisis, and was a  
23 leader in the adoption of the enhanced oil recovery  
24 legislation; and

25 WHEREAS, he recognized the importance of Native

1 Americans and their sovereignty by negotiating the  
2 intergovernmental tax credits; and

3 WHEREAS, he worked tirelessly to improve economic growth  
4 in New Mexico; and

5 WHEREAS, he was honored by the house of representatives  
6 as "Steady at the Helm", an honor coined by Representative  
7 James Roger Madalena in honor of his ability to unify  
8 Democrats and Republicans in the house taxation and revenue  
9 committee; and

10 WHEREAS, he served as chair of Governor Bill  
11 Richardson's blue ribbon tax reform commission; and

12 WHEREAS, he was an undying protector of the land grant  
13 permanent fund, being fully cognizant of the state's  
14 dependence upon the fund for schools and universities and  
15 that the general fund should not be dissipated and used as a  
16 rainy day fund; and

17 WHEREAS, Jerry will turn seventy-five on May 25, 2017;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
19 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that March 2, 2017  
20 be declared "Jerry Sandel Day" at the house of  
21 representatives.

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