RELATING TO PUBLIC FACILITIES; PROHIBITING THE NAMING OF PUBLIC FACILITIES AFTER CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
SECTION 1. A new section of the Property Control Act is enacted to read:
"PUBLIC FACILITIES--NAMING--PROHIBITION--EXCEPTIONS.--
A. As used in this section:
(1) "public facility" means a building or other real property under the control of the division; and
(2) "public officer" means a person elected to public office or any person appointed or employed by the state or a political subdivision of the state.
B. A public facility shall not be named for a public officer during the period in which that person is a public officer.
C. A public facility shall not be named for a public officer or other person who has been convicted of a felony. The division shall remove the name from a public facility named for such person immediately upon conviction, whether or not another name has been offered or approved for substitution and renaming. The secretary shall promulgate a rule for the removal of the name.
D. A public facility that has been named for a
person who was not a public officer at the time of the naming may continue to bear that name if the person subsequently becomes a public officer.
E. Except as provided in Subsection C of this section, a public facility named for a public officer prior to the effective date of this section may continue to bear the name of that public officer.
F. The secretary shall submit a list of names for naming a public facility for consideration by the governor. The secretary shall promulgate a rule for the development of the list of names."

