

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 3

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 RECOGNIZING LAS AMIGAS DE NUEVO MEXICO AS GOODWILL AMBASSADORS
12 FOR ITS WORK IN PROMOTING NEW MEXICO AND ITS CULTURE AROUND THE
13 WORLD AND REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION
14 DECLARING LAS AMIGAS DE NUEVO MEXICO OFFICIAL GOODWILL
15 AMBASSADORS FOR THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

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17 WHEREAS, 2023 marks forty years since las amigas de Nuevo
18 Mexico was officially established as a women's organization
19 separate from New Mexico amigos; and

20 WHEREAS, las amigas de Nuevo Mexico was founded in 1983 by
21 former New Mexico secretary of state Clara Padilla Andrews; and

22 WHEREAS, las amigas de Nuevo Mexico has the mission to
23 promote New Mexico and its unique culture by traveling around
24 the state, country and globe, often with an annual trip to a
25 specific destination; and

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1 WHEREAS, the first friendship flight nearly forty years
2 ago was to Mexico, where its members met with government
3 officials in Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico City and Cancun; and

4 WHEREAS, las amigas de Nuevo Mexico is an example of
5 friendship, tolerance and community building, with its members
6 hailing from all over the state with differing political
7 affiliations, economic statuses and religious affiliations;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
9 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that las amigas de Nuevo Mexico be
10 recognized as official goodwill ambassadors for its efforts to
11 promote the state of New Mexico and its culture around the
12 world; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governor be requested to
14 issue a proclamation designating las amigas de Nuevo Mexico as
15 official goodwill ambassadors; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
17 transmitted to the governor and las amigas de Nuevo Mexico.