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A MEMORIAL

HONORING THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES FOR ITS CREATION IN ALBUQUERQUE AND ON THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING ON JANUARY 1, 1975.

WHEREAS, over the past fifty years, the national conference of state legislatures has evolved to become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving state and territorial legislators and legislative staff; and

WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures was created from the merger of three organizations that served or represented state legislatures and shared the belief that legislative service is one of democracy's worthiest pursuits; and

WHEREAS, after a series of meetings of those organizations in Albuquerque in 1974, the national conference of state .227374.1

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legislatures was founded on January 1, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures is a bipartisan organization with three objectives: to advance the effectiveness, independence and integrity of state legislatures; to foster interstate communication and cooperation; and to ensure that states have a strong, cohesive voice in the federal system; and

WHEREAS, our nation's state legislatures are America's laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they are the bodies to tackle emerging challenges; and

WHEREAS, state legislatures are where people from very different backgrounds, representing very different communities, can come together and find common ground; and

WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided critical research and information and encouraged a rigorous review of complex issues confronting our communities, states and nation, and it strives to strengthen the bonds between America's state legislatures and the international community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the national conference of state legislatures be recognized and commended for its superb leadership and commitment to the legislative institution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the national conference of .227374.1

state legislatures be congratulated on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary in 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to the national conference of state legislatures.

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