AN ACT

RELATING TO THE NATIONAL STATUARY HALL; CREATING A STATUARY HALL COMMISSION; HONORING POPÉ; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. COMMISSION CREATED. -- The "statuary hall commission" is created. The commission shall be composed of no more than nine persons, the chairman of which shall be the governor and the membership of which shall include the state treasurer, the state cultural affairs officer, the executive director of the New Mexico office of Indian affairs and no fewer than four members appointed by the governor from a list of names that have been submitted to him by the Indian nations, tribes or pueblos in New Mexico, containing names of members of those Indian nations, tribes or pueblos who would be appropriate to serve on the commission. Terms of the members shall extend until a second statue from New Mexico is emplaced in the national statuary hall in Washington, D.C. The governor shall fill any vacancy on the statuary hall commission within three months from the date that the vacancy occurs in the same manner as original members were appointed.

Section 2. DUTIES.--The statuary hall commission shall:

A. meet at the call of the governor but shall meet no fewer than four times per year;

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- B. determine the process necessary for New Mexico to have a second statue placed in the national statuary hall;
- C. develop procedures for the funding of the second statue and raise funds to commission the design, creation and transport of a statue to be placed in the national statuary hall through the creation of a foundation for the acceptance of gifts, donations, bequests and proceeds from appropriate fundraising events in accordance with the provisions of the act of July 2, 1864 (40 U.S.C. 187); and
- D. commission the design and creation of a statue of the illustrious San Juan pueblo Indian strategist and warrior Popé, who was renowned, respected and revered by the Native Americans of New Mexico as the leader of the pueblo revolt of 1680 and who would be the second Native American to be honored with placement of a statue in the national statuary hall.

Section 3. APPROPRIATION. -- Sixty thousand dollars

(\$60,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the office
of cultural affairs for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and

1998 for the purpose of paying mileage and per diem expenses
pursuant to the Per Diem and Mileage Act to members of the
statuary hall commission that are not official
representatives of state agencies and to pay for operational
expenses of the commission. Any unexpended or unencumbered
balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert

to the general fund.

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