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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 13

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

JAMES G. TAYLOR

A JOINT MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 10 THROUGH 16, 1997 AS "RANDOM ACTS OF  
KINDNESS WEEK" IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, on the fourth anniversary of the publication of  
the book "Random Acts of Kindness", the nation will celebrate  
international random acts of kindness week; and

WHEREAS, the rise in popularity of the idea of random acts  
of kindness has spread from the book to bumper stickers,  
buttons, national coverage on talk shows, radio shows and  
newspaper stories to the inception of a random acts of kindness  
week nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the idea behind random acts of kindness week is  
simply to encourage people everywhere to take a few minutes from  
their daily lives to act with caring and compassion toward a  
stranger in some small way, which may in turn inspire that

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1 person to act with kindness toward yet another stranger, through  
2 selfless acts such as putting coins in another person's expired  
3 parking meter, helping a busy mother or an elderly person carry  
4 groceries to his car, taking home-baked cookies to a retirement  
5 home or innumerable other acts that are done simply out of  
6 kindness toward other human beings in general and without regard  
7 for personal gain; and

8 WHEREAS, teachers should also promote random acts of  
9 kindness week, by encouraging schoolchildren to participate in  
10 random acts of kindness by taking time out of recess to help  
11 clean up the playground, inviting a new student to share their  
12 lunches, holding a canned food drive or simply encouraging  
13 others around them to commit one random act of kindness each  
14 day;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
16 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 10 through 16, 1997 be  
17 proclaimed as "random acts of kindness week" and encourage all  
18 New Mexicans to treat one another with compassion and caring, as  
19 well as encourage schoolchildren to participate in all manner of  
20 random acts of kindness; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be sent  
22 to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president  
23 pro tempore of the senate, the superintendent of public  
24 instruction and the governor.

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**State of New Mexico  
House of Representatives**

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Mr. Speaker:

Your LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rick Mi era, Chair man

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Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Not Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

Yes: 8

Excused: None

Absent: None

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