

March 15, 2001

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 20

The Honorable Ben Lujan and
Members of the House of Representatives
Executive-Legislative Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Honorable Speaker and Members of the House:

I have this day VETOED and am returning HOUSE BILL 562, enacted by the Forty-Fifth Legislature, First Session, 2001.

This bill would allow for the creation of a special New Mexico license plate that includes the slogan, "New Mexico—Taste the Tradition." I am generally opposed to the creation of special license plates for New Mexico's motor vehicles, except when they provide information to other motorists and law enforcement that the driver may require special consideration in emergency situations, such as firefighters. The special plates that currently exist are more than ample to provide New Mexico's motorists a choice when registering their vehicles.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Johnson
Governor

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