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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER TO CREATE A CENTER FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVANCEMENT.

WHEREAS, technological advancement has provided New Mexico and the rest of the nation with powerful and dynamic tools that permit instant communication and access to information; and

WHEREAS, private organizations have made use of the internet to deliver timely information and offer new goods and services; and

WHEREAS, federal, state and local governments have similarly provided a large array of services and information to the general public through web-based platforms; and

WHEREAS, state government strives to offer public services through the internet to provide enhanced access to services in a more cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, state government has purchased and developed numerous computer systems that meet specific needs that may not be compatible or uniform for real-time and user-friendly information sharing; and

WHEREAS, the internet provides the potential for improved economic development opportunities for the public and private sectors, encouraging increased business formation in the state as well as increased tourism; and

WHEREAS, the ability to develop a highly effective level of communication and connectedness is a worthy, cost-effective and attainable objective;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the chief information officer, in conjunction with the information technology oversight committee and the office of the governor, create, within the information technology management office, the center for telecommunications advancement that will be charged with the responsibility to provide a new level of digital connectedness for state and local agencies to enhance the delivery of services; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the
2 governor, the chief information officer, the information technology oversight committee
3 and the legislative finance committee.

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