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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 52

## 42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

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### A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO WORK TO AMEND THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT OF 1973 TO CREATE HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT TO PROTECT ENDANGERED CULTURES AS WELL AS ENDANGERED SPECIES.

WHEREAS, the public lands of New Mexico have been primarily taken from the hunting, gathering and common grazing lands of Native Americans and Mexican citizens and their heirs protected by the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo; and

WHEREAS, that and other treaties protect customary uses of land and water and free exercise of religion without restriction; and

WHEREAS, the Endangered Species Act of 1973 and the amendments currently being considered by the United States congress need to recognize the unique historical, cultural and

spiritual relationship New Mexicans have with these lands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United States congressional delegation be requested to work to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to create holistic management that protects endangered cultures as well as endangered species and balances the needs of all species with public land-dependent communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require that critical habitat be declared only after site-specific studies that indicate that a species occupies or has occupied the area within the last fifteen years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require that, before declaring critical habitat or listing endangered species, impact studies on its inhabitants' cultural practices, customs and sacred places and sites be mandated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that where treaties protect custom, culture and land and water rights, the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require that the United States fish and wildlife service and federal land management agencies develop holistic species management goals and plans in consultation, coordination and cooperation with tribal and local governments, acequia associations and land grant councils; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require that the secretary of the interior and the secretary of agriculture sign memoranda of agreements with the respective tribal and local governments, acequia associations and land grant councils protected by treaties before implementing recovery plans or declarations of critical habitat: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require direct notice to all permittees of record in their native languages when conservation actions will affect the uses of land or water; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Endangered Species Act of 1973 be amended to require that hearings regarding critical habitat designation or listing of species be held not more than fifty miles from communities affected by the declarations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the members of the United States congressional del egati on.

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February 8, 1996

v Mr. Speaker:

Your **RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be **GERMANE** in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Perea Casey,

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Mr. Speaker:

Your AGRICULTURE AND WATER 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**, and thence referred to the **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE.** 

Respectfully submitted,

February 13, 1996

G. X. McSherry, Chairman

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