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11	A JOINT MEMORIAL
12	REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO OPEN THE
13	MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY TO
14	COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND ALLOW A CONSORTIUM THAT INCLUDES THE
15	UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO AND OTHER ENTITIES REPRESENTING NEW
16	MEXICO'S INTERESTS TO SUBMIT BIDS FOR THE CONTRACT.
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18	WHEREAS, the university of California has managed Los
19	Alamos national laboratory (LANL) since 1943, earning as much as
20	twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) annually from the
21	contract; and
22	WHEREAS, LANL is the fourth largest single employer in New
23	Mexico, with more than nine thousand employees; and
24	WHEREAS, the importance of LANL to New Mexico's economy is
25	such that LANL's management should not be solely in the hands of

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an organization, the university of California, whose financial interests are clearly independent of the welfare of the state of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, many employees of LANL and residents of New Mexico believe the management of LANL is insensitive to the needs of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is largely populated by people of Spanish and Native American descent, and the university of California, as indicated by its repudiation of affirmative action on July 20, 1995, has shown disregard and indifference for concerns of minorities in general; and

WHEREAS, the current LANL restructuring plan reflects disregard and indifference towards New Mexicans in particular, since most employees in the recent layoffs were native New Mexicans of Spanish descent; and

WHEREAS, the state of New Mexico might earn as much as fifteen to twenty million dollars in management fees as a member of a management consortium, a large sum considering the state's current budget problems; and

WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico has imminent scientific and administrative capabilities reflected by the caliber of its faculty in the engineering school, the engineering research institute, the Robert O. Anderson school of business and other science and management-related departments; and

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WHEREAS, a consortium composed of the university of California, the university of New Mexico and perhaps expertise from other New Mexico-based institutions might strengthen LANL's role in the nation's scientific and defense community, serve the economic needs of northern New Mexico and stimulate greater opportunities for technology transfer and business spinoffs throughout the state's economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United States department of energy be requested to open the management contract of Los Alamos national laboratory to competitive bidding when the contract expires in 1997; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the university of New Mexico be requested to negotiate with the university of California and other New Mexico institutions to form a consortium to bid on the LANL management contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rehiring of layoff LANL employees be a central component of the consortium's bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the secretary of the department of energy, the president of the university of New Mexico, the chancellor of the university of California and New Mexico's congressional delegation.

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	9	Your RULES COMMITTEE , to whom has been referred
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	13	recommendation that it DO PASS .
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