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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 34

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

INTRODUCED BY  
MARY HELEN GARCIA

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE SUPREME COURT TO ADOPT A RULE REQUIRING ALL  
JUDGES TO RECEIVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING AS PART OF THEIR  
JUDICIAL EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, ninety-five percent of domestic violence victims  
are women; and

WHEREAS, forty-six percent of female homicides in New  
Mexico are the result of domestic abuse and over one-third of  
those victims had reported prior injuries; and

WHEREAS, the attorney general's task force on violence  
against women, the New Mexico domestic violence advisory council  
and the New Mexico medical society have studied issues related  
to domestic violence and determined that judicial training would  
help address the problem; and

WHEREAS, the court is the single most important impetus for

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1 change and successful enforcement of current laws to protect  
2 victims of domestic violence; and

3 WHEREAS, several states require judicial training in  
4 domestic violence law;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
6 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the supreme court be requested to adopt  
7 a rule that requires judicial training in domestic violence law  
8 and victim assistance; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
10 transmitted to the justices of the supreme court.

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# **State of New Mexico House of Representatives**

**FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION, 1997**

**February 24, 1997**

**Mr. Speaker:**

**Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred**

**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 34**

**has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the  
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Thomas P. Foy, Chairman**

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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

Excused: Alwin, M P. Garcia, King, Pederson, Rios, Sanchez

Absent: None

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FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION, 1997

March 21, 1997

Mr. President:

Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 34

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: None

Excused: Carraro, Eisenstadt, Ingle, Lyons, McKibben

Absent: None

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