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SENATE MEMORIAL 28

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

JOHN PINTO

A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO USE FUNDS AUTHORIZED BY THE INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1991 FROM THE INDIAN ROADS CONSTRUCTION FUND TO CONSTRUCT THE HOGBACK BRIDGE AND IMPROVE CONNECTING ROADS NAVAJO 36A AND UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 64.

WHEREAS, through various treaties and acts of congress, the federal government has promised Indian nations, tribes and pueblos certain goods and services, one of which is transportation services, to serve the social and economic needs of the Indian nations, tribes and pueblos; and

WHEREAS, Indian nations, tribes and pueblos are totally dependent on the federal transportation programs for their transportation needs because they are not eligible under federal law to administer federal highway trust funds directly

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1 or to receive a portion of fuel revenue collected on Indian
2 reservations for transportation purposes; and

3 WHEREAS, there is a critical need to improve
4 transportation services on the Indian reservations throughout
5 the United States to promote economic development, improve
6 health care, enhance education and increase employment; and

7 WHEREAS, the Indian nations, tribes and pueblos recognize
8 and appreciate the support the transportation programs have
9 contributed to the success of many social and economic
10 development efforts on all Indian reservations; and

11 WHEREAS, pursuant to the federal Surface Transportation
12 Assistance Act of 1982, the United States secretary of
13 transportation is to allocate funds authorized to be
14 appropriated for Indian reservation roads in accordance with
15 the relative needs of the various Indian reservations;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
17 OF NEW MEXICO that the United States department of
18 transportation be requested to use funds authorized by the
19 federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of
20 1991 from the Indian roads construction fund to construct the
21 Hogback bridge and improve Navajo 36A and United States
22 highway 64; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
24 transmitted to the president of the United States, the New
25 Mexico congressional delegation, the United States secretary

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1 of transportation, the Navajo nation council and the president
2 of the Navajo nation.

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7 Mr. President:

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9 Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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

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16 Respectfully submitted,

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23 Gloria Howes, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Adair, Aragon, Gorham

Absent: None

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