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Introduced by

REPRESENTATIVE W. KEN MARTINEZ AND REPRESENTATIVE AL PARK AND
REPRESENTATIVE PETER WIRTH AND REPRESENTATIVE DANICE PICRAUX AND
REPRESENTATIVE GAIL CHASEY

REPRESENTATIVE BEN LUJAN
REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH CERVANTES



1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING RUTH ORTIZ FOR HER YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE NEW
3 MEXICO STATE LEGISLATURE.

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5 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz, a lifelong resident of Santa Fe and
6 a long-time employee of the legislature, began her career at
7 the legislature in 1959 as a committee secretary in a
8 secretarial pool for the house of representatives; and

9 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz remained an employee with the house
10 of representatives from 1959 until 1967, working part time for
11 Representatives Jack Morgan, Fred Foster and Ray Davenport;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, while Ruth Ortiz worked part time in the house
14 of representatives, she raised her children, Olivia, Mardell,
15 David, Art, Teresa and Alan, dedicating herself to their
16 upbringing, providing them with excellent educational
17 foundations and setting their courses for fulfillment in life;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, in 1967, Ruth Ortiz began her career at the
20 legislative council service, where she served for twenty-three
21 years, until she retired in June 1990; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1991, the indefatigable Ruth Ortiz went to
23 work for the senate as a committee secretary, where she
24 remained for the next seven years; and

25 WHEREAS, in 1999, Ruth Ortiz next served as a committee

1 secretary in the house of representatives, working under
2 Representative Danice Picraux in the majority office; and

3 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz worked on the house education
4 committee from 2000 until 2006 with Representative Rick Miera;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz currently serves as committee
7 secretary to the house judiciary committee under
8 Representative Al Park; and

9 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz is known to maintain a calm and
10 unflappable manner even under the greatest of pressure; and

11 WHEREAS, those with whom and for whom Ruth Ortiz has
12 worked say that Ruth has been a valuable and valued staff
13 member who has exhibited the highest of professional standards
14 in all of her job capacities;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Ruth Ortiz be
17 recognized and thanked for her many years of dedicated service
18 in the house of representatives, in the senate and at the
19 legislative council service; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
21 transmitted to Ruth Ortiz.

S/ BEN LUJAN
BEN LUJAN, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

S/ STEPHEN R. ARIAS
STEPHEN R. ARIAS, CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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