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CONCERNING MEMORIALIZING FORMER LEGISLATOR CLAIRE TRAYLOR.

WHEREAS, By the Will of Divine Providence, our beloved former member, Claire Traylor, departed this life on August 31, 2002, at the age of 71; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor served in the General Assembly from 1979 to 1994, first in the House and then the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was born January 18, 1931, in Kansas City, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor earned her bachelor of science degree in education and counseling from Northwestern University in 1952, followed by a masters of arts from Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was a fellow at the Kennedy School of Government, State and Local Executives Program; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor began her career as an elementary school teacher; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was elected in 1978 to the Colorado House of Representatives where she served for four years, and was House Majority Caucus Leader in 1981 and 1982; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor subsequently was elected to the Colorado Senate, where she served for twelve more years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was known as a fiscally responsible, moderate Republican, who was loved and admired by Democrats and Republicans alike; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor worked hard to further women's issues and pass health care legislation for all Coloradans, including the poor and uninsured; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was a sponsor of legislation dealing with issues including adult abuse, welfare reform, emergency medical services, and pre-school programs for at-risk children; and

WHEREAS, While serving on the Joint Budget Committee, Senator Traylor was instrumental in securing funding to repair and reconstruct buildings on the Colorado School of Mines campus, and will be honored by the school with an atrium named in her memory; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor served her community for many years as an active member of the Colorado Housing Finance Authority Board, the Rocky Mountain Health Policy Council, the Colorado District Export Council, the World Trade Center Advisory Board, and Wheat Ridge Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor had four children, and considered her role as mother her highest calling; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor was known as a refined, stylish woman who had a large collection of antique jewelry and loved to frequent the Native American jewelry markets around Santa Fe; and

WHEREAS, Senator Traylor is remembered by current and former

legislators as a mentor and a friend; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we, the members of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, pay tribute to the dedicated service of Senator Claire Traylor and express our deep regret and sorrow occasioned by her death; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

That, in the death of Claire Traylor, the people of the State of Colorado have lost a dedicated public servant and outstanding citizen, and that we, the members of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, do hereby extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of her family and pay tribute to a woman who served her state well and faithfully.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Memorial be sent to Senator Traylor's former husband Frank Traylor, sons Frank Traylor and David Traylor, and daughters Nancy Newsom and Susan Lykes.

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THE SENATE

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