



HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 01-1001

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MEMORIALIZING FORMER REPRESENTATIVE KENNETH W. MONFORT

WHEREAS, By the Will of Divine Providence, our beloved former member, the Honorable Kenneth W. Monfort, departed this life on February 2, 2001, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort was born November 22, 1928, in Greeley, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort attended Greeley High School and Colorado State University; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort served 2 terms in districts 43 and 8 in the Colorado House of Representatives from 1965 to 1969; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort served as vice-chair of the Business Affairs Committee and was a member of the Appropriations, Natural Resources, and Health, Welfare & Institutions Committees, including the Advisory Committee on Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, Greeley became a community with the Monfort beef business at its core; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort was a visionary who changed the beef industry by combining several operations, including beef feeding, slaughter, meat packing, sales, and distribution into a Fortune 500 company; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort was a generous benefactor to and received an honorary degree from Colorado State University, donating to a scholarship fund in his name, an arts center, the library, and athletic facilities; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort also donated generously to the University of Northern Colorado in his hometown, and the University named its business school the Kenneth W. Monfort College of Business in his honor in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort and his family also helped to establish the Union Colony Civic Center, the Monfort Family Birth Center at North Colorado Medical Center, the Monfort Children's Clinic, and the Greeley Veterans' Park; and

WHEREAS, Representative Monfort earned numerous awards, including the Employer of the Year Award in 1970, was inducted into the Colorado Business Hall of Fame, and received the Citizen of the West Award from the National Western Stock Show in 1991; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we, the members of the Sixty-third General Assembly, pay tribute to the dedicated service of Representative Monfort and express our deep regret and sorrow occasioned by his death; now, therefore,

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

That, in the death of Kenneth W. Monfort, the people of the state of Colorado have lost a dedicated public servant, successful businessman, and outstanding citizen, and that we, the members of the Sixty-third General Assembly, do hereby extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family and pay tribute to a man who served this state and our nation well and faithfully.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Memorial be sent to Representative Monfort's wife, Myra, his sons, Dick and Charlie Monfort of Greeley, Colorado, his daughters, Kyle Futo of Wichita, Kansas, and Kaye Ward of Greeley, Colorado.

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