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## HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1002

BY REPRESENTATIVES Johnson, Kirscht, Lucero, and Trujillo;  
also SENATORS Beno, McCormick, Phelps, and Rizzuto.

WHEREAS, By the Will of Divine Providence, our beloved former member, the Honorable Betty Kirk West, departed this life at the age of eighty; and

WHEREAS, Representative West served in the Colorado House of Representatives from 1954 through 1966 as the first woman elected to the Colorado General Assembly from Pueblo; and

WHEREAS, Representative West was a member of the Gray Lady Corps of the American Red Cross, the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Colorado Conference of Social Welfare, and was a board member of the Pueblo Civic Symphony Association; and

WHEREAS, Betty Kirk West was one of the founding members of the Pueblo County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club and served as a board member of that club; and

WHEREAS, Betty Kirk West served as chairman of both the Labor and Employment Relations Committee and the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives and was instrumental in obtaining a forty-hour work week for state employees; and

WHEREAS, The late Representative West will be greatly missed, the State of Colorado having lost a valued and respected citizen, and therefore, it is fitting that we, the members of this General Assembly, pay tribute to the late Representative Betty Kirk West; now, therefore,

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

That, in the death of the former Representative Betty Kirk West, the people of the State of Colorado have lost an outstanding citizen and that we, the members of this 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 Memorial be spread upon the pages of the Journal of the House of Representatives and the Journal of the Senate and that copies hereof be transmitted to the children of the late Representative West.