

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4

BY SENATORS Kogovsek, McCormick, Phelps, Stockton, Allshouse, Anderson, Bishop, Cole, Comer, Cooper, Decker, H. Fowler, L. Fowler, Gallagher, Groff, Harding, Hatcher, Holme, Kadiecek, Kinnie, MacManus, Noble, Plock, D. Sandoval, P. Sandoval, Schieffelin, Smedley, Soash, Strickland, Wham, and Woodard; also REPRESENTATIVES Massari, Kirscht, Boley, Lucero, Ore, Barnhill, Baca-Barragan, Becker, Bledsoe, Brinton, Brown, Burford, Burns, Cantrell, Castro, DeHerrera, DeMoulin, DeNier, Dick, Dittmore, Dodge, Durham, Eckelberry, Frank, Gorsuch, Gustafson, Hamlin, Hayes, Hefley, Herzberger, Hilsmeier, Hinman, Howe, Hume, Jones, Knox, Kramer, Lillpop, Lloyd, Marks, McCroskey, McElderry, Neale, Orten, Reeves, Schaefer, Sears, Shoemaker, Showalter, Smith, Spano, Strahle, Swalm, Tancredo, Taylor, Traylor, Valdez, Waldow, Wayland, Webb, Winkler, Witherspoon, Yost, Younglund, and Zakhem.

WHEREAS, By the Will of Divine Providence, our beloved member, the Honorable Vincent Massari, departed this life at the age of seventy-seven; and

WHEREAS, The late Senator Massari served this state well and faithfully as a member of the House of Representatives from 1955 through 1964 and as a member of the Senate from 1965 through 1976; and

WHEREAS, This day we bid farewell to a man who, always, will be remembered as the "senior senator" from Pueblo.

Vince Massari, the little man who was yet big and strong; Vince, the senator with the wiry spirit and the wiry shock of hair.

We salute the man who came to this state so long ago from Italy; who knew the labor of the Trinidad mines; who knew the satisfaction of providing the printed word to those immigrants who wanted to stay in touch with the old country and gain a new touch with their adopted country.

We salute the man whose middle name could well have been "determination"; who taught us the meaning of fidelity, strength, and determination.

The University of Southern Colorado, standing high on the mesa on Pueblo's northern edge, is a monument to Vince's determination and his love and concern for youngsters past, present, and future.

The university, the state hospital, the state fair; these things which benefited Pueblo and the people of this state were always uppermost in Vince's mind and he labored for them; never for himself, this man of sincere humility, but for others.

He was feared at times, he was respected always, because what he labored for was bigger than himself — it was his home, his constituency, and his state.

He so labored for almost twenty-two years and did an exemplary job; and

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that we, the members of the Fifty-first General Assembly, give recognition to the devoted public service of the late Senator Massari and express our deep regret and sorrow occasioned by his death; now, therefore,

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

That, in the death of the Honorable Senator Massari, the State of Colorado has lost one of the most sincere and dedicated legislators ever to have served the State, and we, the members of the General Assembly, do hereby extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family and pay tribute to a man of character, integrity, and ability; and

Be It Further Resolved, That this Memorial be spread upon the pages of the Journal of the Senate and a copy thereof be transmitted to his widow, Mrs. Amalia Massari.