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SENATE MEMORIAL 40

**54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING CARROLL H. LEAVELL AND RECOGNIZING HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, Carroll H. Leavell, a republican, served as a state senator for district 41 in Eddy and Lea counties from 1997 to 2018; and

WHEREAS, Senator Leavell announced his retirement in 2018 and resigned after nearly twenty-two years in office; and

WHEREAS, Senator Leavell had an illustrious career in the senate and was best known as a member of the senate finance committee, on which he served from 2003 to 2018; and

WHEREAS, Senator Leavell also was a member of the following standing committees: the conservation committee from 1999 to 2002, the corporations and transportation committee from 1997 to 1998 and from 2001 to 2002, the natural gas

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1 pipeline study subcommittee in 2001, the public affairs  
2 committee from 1999 to 2000 and the ways and means committee  
3 from 1997 to 1998; and

4 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell was a member of almost every  
5 interim committee during his career, including the economic and  
6 rural development and telecommunications committee from 2001 to  
7 2006, the investments and pensions oversight committee from  
8 2006 to 2008 and from 2011 to 2018 and the radioactive and  
9 hazardous materials committee from 1997 to 2018, and was an  
10 advisory member of the water and natural resources committee  
11 from 2015 to 2018; and

12 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell was also appointed as a member of  
13 the public school capital outlay oversight task force from 2002  
14 to 2008; and

15 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell is a staunch advocate of the oil  
16 and gas industry, and he touted the industry's contributions to  
17 the state; and

18 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell is highly respected by his  
19 colleagues, who describe him as low key and genial with a love  
20 for New Mexico that is truly genuine; and

21 WHEREAS, civic involvement has always been important to  
22 Senator Leavell, and in 2007, the cowboy hall of fame and  
23 western heritage center named Senator Leavell a silver concho  
24 honoree for his service to the country; and

25 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell, the former owner of Leavell

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1 insurance and a real estate broker, is active in his community,  
2 serving as past president of the industrial development  
3 corporation of Lea county, past president of independent  
4 insurance agents of New Mexico, a lions international club  
5 trustee, past board member of the university of the southwest  
6 and a trustee for first united Methodist church; and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell, who lives in the city of Jal,  
8 had to make longer trips back and forth from the state capitol  
9 than any other legislator; and

10 WHEREAS, after all that time on the road, Senator Leavell  
11 deserves a continued long and relaxing retirement at home;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
13 OF NEW MEXICO that Carroll H. Leavell be recognized for his  
14 years of outstanding public service to New Mexico; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
16 transmitted to Carroll H. Leavell.

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