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HOUSE MEMORIAL 16

Introduced by

REPRESENTATIVE RICHARD D. VIGIL



1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 2, 2012 AS "ROY "PUFFY" GONZALES DAY" IN
3 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, Roy "Puffy" Gonzales was born in Las Vegas, New
6 Mexico, on November 12, 1938 and passed away at his home in
7 that fair city on May 31, 2011; and

8 WHEREAS, Puffy Gonzales graduated from west Las Vegas
9 high school and served honorably in the United States army,
10 the army reserve and the New Mexico national guard; and

11 WHEREAS, he received his bachelor's and master's degrees
12 from New Mexico highlands university and served as a music
13 teacher for the west Las Vegas school district for more than
14 thirty years; and

15 WHEREAS, he was a member of the New Mexico music
16 educators association and the northeastern New Mexico music
17 educators association; and

18 WHEREAS, he was a volunteer member of the E. Romero hose
19 and fire company as well as a member of the B.P.O. Elks Lodge
20 #408 and Our Lady of Sorrows church; and

21 WHEREAS, through his extensive community involvement,
22 Mr. Gonzales served as a wonderful role model and inspiration
23 for hundreds of students, not just in the joys and skills of
24 music, but in the joy of service to one's community; and

25 WHEREAS, he served as a model for all New Mexicans in

1 his dedication to his community, his state and to the many
2 "next generations" he educated and mentored;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
4 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize
5 the many accomplishments of Puffy Gonzales and declare
6 February 2, 2012 as "Roy "Puffy" Gonzales Day" in the house of
7 representatives; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that heartfelt condolences be
9 extended to the family and many friends of Puffy Gonzales; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
11 transmitted to the family of Puffy Gonzales and to the west
12 Las Vegas valley middle school for permanent display in the
13 band room.



BEN LUJAN, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



STEPHEN R. ARIAS, CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES