



28 WHEREAS, in 1992 Pete was elected to the Utah House of Representatives;

29 WHEREAS, in 1996 Pete made good on his vow when he was elected to the Utah Senate;

30 WHEREAS, Pete soon became known as a tough but gentlemanly politician who

31 successfully balanced his passion for the causes he believed in with the ability to listen to those

32 who opposed him and work toward agreement;

33 WHEREAS, Pete never forgot his roots or his constituency, largely racial minorities and

34 working-class families;

35 WHEREAS, impeccable leadership skills gained him the respect of and credibility from

36 political colleagues, the media, and his constituency;

37 WHEREAS, his many successes include shepherding legislation to rename the state's

38 Human Rights Day for the Reverend Martin Luther King and working to get hate crimes legislation

39 passed in the Senate;

40 WHEREAS, Pete was a true role model for all but especially for youth and he devoted

41 special attention and demonstrated a unique commitment to helping them build toward a successful

42 future;

43 WHEREAS, Pete was intensely devoted to his family, loved the mountains, was a member

44 of the Utah Amateur Boxing Federation, was the first Utahn to achieve international status as an

45 amateur boxing official, and was an avid hunter, golfer, and fisherman;

46 WHEREAS, Pete was a heroic figure to the Hispanic community and to all Utahns who

47 work hard and strive to be fair;

48 WHEREAS, Pete may be remembered most for reaching out to all of Utah's ethnic and

49 religious communities, engendering hope throughout the diverse neighborhoods he called home;

50 WHEREAS, the causes for which Pete worked so tirelessly may have failed to connect with

51 the majority of Utahns, but his motive for pushing them was shared by many of those who fought

52 his efforts - he wanted a better Utah; and

53 WHEREAS, Pete grew up with little but had limitless aspirations, worked hard to get his

54 education, and as he chalked up many personal accomplishments he took care to pave the way for

55 others:

56 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the

57 Governor concurring therein, recognize and honor the contributions Senator Pete Suazo has made

58 to his community, to minorities throughout the state, to all the citizens of Utah, and to the Utah

59 Legislature.

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor recognize Senator  
61 Pete Suazo's commitment to helping the youth of Utah prepare for the limitless opportunities that  
62 await them.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Senator Alicia  
64 L. Suazo.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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