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GOVERNOR BILL RICHARDSON PROCLAIMS MAY 30, 2003 AS “PETE V. DOMENICI” DAY IN NEW MEXICO

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today honored Senator Pete V. Domenici with a proclamation to recognize the senator's 12,000th vote recently cast in the U.S. Senate.

“That’s truly an impressive milestone,” Governor Bill Richardson told Domenici during a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda. “In recognition of your accomplishments and your contributions to New Mexico, I have a proclamation for you.”

Senator Domenici has been serving New Mexicans since he was first elected to the Albuquerque City Commission back in 1966. He was elected Chairman of the City Commission, which was the equivalent of Mayor, in 1967. In 1972, Senator Domenici became the first Republican in 38 years in New Mexico to be elected to the U.S. Senate, and has served so admirably since then.

The proclamation, signed by Governor Bill Richardson and the Secretary of State, reads:

WHEREAS, Pete V. Domenici is the Senior Senator from New Mexico, and has ably served as Senator since 1973; and

WHEREAS, Senator Domenici is the longest serving Senator in New Mexico History, and the only lawmaker from New Mexico ever elected to six consecutive six-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Recently Senator Domenici cast his 12,000th vote as Senator, only the tenth Senator in United States history to reach that milestone; and

WHEREAS, The State of New Mexico owes Senator Domenici a debt of gratitude for his dedication, leadership, and outstanding service on behalf of all New Mexicans; and

NOW, THEREFORE I, Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim the 30th Day of May, 2003 “Pete V. Domenici Day” throughout the State of New Mexico, and urge all citizens to recognize and celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of Senator Domenici.

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