

## **HOUSE MEMORIAL 22-1001**

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## MEMORIALIZING FORMER REPRESENTATIVE JOE NUÑEZ.

WHEREAS, Our respected former colleague, Joe Nuñez, a past member of the Colorado General Assembly, departed this life on November 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez was born April 5, 1937, in Greeley, Colorado, to Manuela Nuñez and Concepción Lopez; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez was a Vietnam veteran who served our nation in the United States Air Force and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel from his last duty assignment at F. E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez received the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Representative Nuñez ran for and was elected to the Colorado House of Representatives for House District 64 and in 2000 he ran again and was reelected; and

WHEREAS, During his three years serving as a member of the House of Representatives, Representative Nuñez served on the Transportation and Energy, Appropriations, and Education Committees and as Vice-chair for the State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez also served as the representative for Secretary of the United States Department of Labor for the Rocky Mountain Region and as the Regional Director for the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Lilly Yanas Nuñez, on November 10, 2020, and is survived by his four children John Michael Nuñez, Daniel Nuñez, Teresa Curtis, and Lili Nuñez Mueh, ten grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nuñez was a devoted public servant who will be remembered for his hard work, dedication, service, and accomplishments; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

That, in the death of Joe Nuñez, the people of the state of Colorado have lost a dedicated public servant and outstanding citizen, and that we, the members of the Colorado House of Representatives, do hereby extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family and pay tribute to a man who served his state well and faithfully.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Memorial be sent to John Michael Nuñez, Daniel Nuñez, Teresa Curtis, Lili Nuñez Mueh, and the Douglas County Republican Party.

Robin Jones

CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES