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SENATE RESOLUTION 20-002

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF FEBRUARY 4 AS "MISSING**
102 **PERSONS DAY" IN COLORADO.**

1 WHEREAS, While too many families grieve and hope for their
2 missing children, others are in search of their missing family members of
3 all ages; and

4 WHEREAS, The awareness of citizens, media, and law
5 enforcement, as well as their support, their efforts, and their search for
6 missing persons, must continue; and

7 WHEREAS, The public plays a critical role in the success of the
8 AMBER Alert program and other alert programs: They become the eyes
9 and ears of law enforcement and can be on the lookout for the missing
10 person; and

11 WHEREAS, The common misconception that a person must be
12 absent for at least 24 hours before being legally classified as missing is
13 dangerous. When there is evidence of violence or of an unusual absence,
14 it is critical that an investigation begin promptly.

1 WHEREAS, New advances in technology must be utilized and
2 made available to locate the missing; and

3 WHEREAS, The state of Colorado is committed to the safety and
4 well-being of its citizens, both children and adults; and

5 WHEREAS, The designation of Missing Persons Day in Colorado
6 will firmly embed the importance of missing persons and their families
7 and friends in our state calendar and will raise a level of awareness with
8 other cities and states that have already designated a Missing Persons
9 Day; and

10 WHEREAS, The designation of Missing Persons Day in Colorado
11 offers a platform to plan events that will connect families with resources
12 to help identify and find their long-term missing loved ones; and

13 WHEREAS, Each year, hundreds of thousands of families are
14 faced with what President Ronald Reagan called "the stark terror of a
15 unique tragedy" -- a missing family member; and

16 WHEREAS, On January 10, 2020, the FBI reported 86,989 active
17 missing persons in the United States, with a large portion being juveniles
18 under the age of 21; and

19 WHEREAS, Children and adults go missing from their families for
20 a number of devastating reasons: They run away or wander and become
21 lost; they disappear under circumstances indicating that their
22 disappearance may not have been voluntary; or they go missing under
23 suspicious circumstances, indicating that they may be in physical danger
24 or the victims of foul play; and

25 WHEREAS, In 2002, Colorado Governor Bill Owens signed
26 House Bill 02-1083, establishing the AMBER (America's Missing:
27 Broadcast Emergency Response) Alert program in Colorado. Named after
28 nine-year-old Amber Hagerman, who was abducted and killed in Texas
29 in 1996, the program ensures that local law enforcement agencies can use
30 the Emergency Alert System in Colorado to broadcast information to alert
31 citizens of missing children.

32 WHEREAS, Since 1996, AMBER Alerts have successfully
33 recovered 977 children nationally and 61 due to the Wireless Emergency
34 Alert; and

1 WHEREAS, For all the important work done to recover missing
2 children, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children assisted
3 law enforcement and families in 2019 with more than 29,000 cases of
4 missing children nationwide, and the organization lists 155 active missing
5 child cases in Colorado with posters circulating on nearly 70 of those
6 cases. Even though all disappeared from their families when they were
7 children, some have been missing for decades.

8 WHEREAS, The designation of Missing Persons Day in Colorado
9 will ensure that the families and friends of the missing know that they are
10 not alone in this tragedy of uncertainties and lack of closure, which leads
11 to extreme suffering and long-lasting effects on the health, finances, and
12 relationships of those left behind; and

13 WHEREAS, Every missing person is someone's son or daughter,
14 father or mother, brother or sister, partner or friend, and every missing
15 person deserves to be searched for and found; now, therefore,

16 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-second General*
17 *Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

18 (1) That we, the members of the Colorado Senate, recognize the
19 epidemic of the missing in America as "The Silent Mass Disaster" and
20 empathize with the ongoing suffering of the families and friends of those
21 who are missing;

22 (2) That we recognize the importance of raising awareness of the
23 number of people who go missing in Colorado each year;

24 (3) That we applaud the committed efforts of families, law
25 enforcement agencies, and concerned citizens who work to locate missing
26 persons;

27 (4) That we encourage the continued support of worthy initiatives
28 and private and public programs to increase efforts to locate missing
29 persons;

30 (5) That we hereby designate February 4 of each year as "Missing
31 Persons Day" and support the goals and ideals of the day; and

32 (6) That we acknowledge the names, and the families, of the
33 Coloradans who are currently missing: Christopher Enoch Abeyta, Victor

1 Abeyta, Terri Ackerman, Luis Acosta, Crystal Acosta, Marvin
2 Aguilar-Aguilar, Ryan Albert, Dora Alcaraz, Katherine Allen, Veronica
3 N. Alvarado-Carvajal, Tamara Alvidres, Daniela Jasmin Amaro, Bryan
4 D. Ambrose, Roger Blake Ampbell, Uvaldo Anaya, Keith R. Anderson,
5 Isabella Annibal, Tiannah Marie Annibal, Nathanie Antone, Pauline
6 Aragon, Zariyah Arellano, Keiyhana Armstrong, Gabriel Angel Arteaga,
7 Eric Ashby, Cynthia L. Atterberry, Donald Henry Atutis, Joaquin David
8 Aviles-Silva, Myriam Azila, Mark Manuel Baca, Gayle Katrina Baird,
9 Brandon Masaki Baker, Alexandra Banda, Isabella Andrea Barajas, Linda
10 J. Barker, Gayla Jean Barnes, Katherine Sue Barnum, Mario
11 Barraza-Murillo, Colleen Kay Barrett, Alondra Barron, Frank Bastil,
12 Tracy Jay Bastion, Barbara Jean Baumann, Richard Beebe, Stephanie
13 Benitez, Angela Cindy Benson, Pamela Sue Bera, David Gerard Berger,
14 Gloria Berreth, Casey S. Berry, Abby Blagg, Marie Ann Blee, Robert
15 Bockmann, Dwayne Bogan, Richard Eugene Boldman, Mark Allen
16 Bonner, Mohamed El Boukili, Robert James Bowling, Emma Grace
17 Brackett, Arthur Brandes, Luis Alberto Bravo-Gomez, William W.
18 Brennan, William Christopher Brown, Edward D. Bryant, Colleen K.
19 Burgess, Trinita Burrell, Sherry D. Bynum, Fred Cain, Dena Angelique
20 Candelario, Luis Eduardo Carbajal-Ardon, Rocky Charles Carpenter,
21 Gregory John Carter, Rafael Casanova-Ferrer, Reyes Ismael
22 Casanova-Molina, Timothy Case, Darisleidy Castillo, Brianna Castillo,
23 Abigail Castro, Rosalinda Castro-Mendoza, Jennifer C. Castro-Perdomo,
24 Autumn Starr Cerenil, Kenneth Anthony Chacon, David Chambers,
25 Michael Chastain, Gladys Chilel-Romero, Lorenzo Deshawn Chivers,
26 Aldo Cid-Perez, John Cizek, Earl Tex Clark, Randall Sirrine Clark,
27 Benjamin Dubreath Clark, Tyrese Clark, Javon Classen, Derek Colburn,
28 Ray Collins, Ronald Compton, Martin Conley, Thomas Randal Cook,
29 Patricia Ann Cordova, Shaun Wayne Cordova, Reyna Correa, Jamie
30 Cortez, Jarad Richard Cox, Charlene M. Cramer, Julie L. Cunningham,
31 Amy Dabalos, Starlett Daily, Maurice Gordon Dametz, David G. Davis,
32 James Earl Dean, Julia R. Dearemt, Mary Marlene Deitz, Kenneth
33 Delgarmo, Fabian Delrosario, William Demerell, Dustin Douglas
34 Denhartog, Taylor Denivan, Alissia Minyon Dizard, Nonnie Ann Dotson,
35 Rex L. Douglas, Jennifer Anne Douglas, Stephanie Ann Drnovsek, Rick
36 Duffy, Charles Duke, Anthony James Dusek, Steve Robert Einspahr,
37 Somaya Abdul Elaayi, Caleb Elaayi, Bobby Dean Eldridge, Morgan Ellis,
38 Roger John Ellison, Bekime Elshani, Maria Emeterio, Dyani Encinas,
39 Omar Enriquez, Stephanie Enriquez-Bautista, Elba Evelyn
40 Espinoza-Romero, Eric Todd Ewing, Alex James Faucett, Daniel Faust
41 Felicia Fellow, J D Ferguson, Alvin Lee Finch, Eugene Francis Fish,
42 Stephanie Kay Fladgard, Jazlynn Flores, Analeighya Flores, Joselyn

1 Fonseca, Jeffrey Lee Fossum, Christopher Lynn Frazier, Christopher S.
2 French, Kimberly Michelle French, Sylvia Frens, Elwood G. Friesen,
3 Joseph Feri Fualau, Faith Kailani Gaines, Mary Angela Gallegos, Hilga
4 Marita Gallegos, Zaira Selene Gallegos Zavalo, Ailena Garcia, Andrea
5 Garcia, Ruby Garcia Escobedo, Stanley Owen Gardner, Shaida Ghaemi,
6 Etienne Giassivi, Deja Gleason, Phillip Gomez, Patricia Gonzalez, Jorge
7 Gonzalez, Monserrat Gonzalez, Marvin Josue Gonzales-Coello, Carlos
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10 Nicole Graves, Alector Gray, Benjamin Franklin Gray, Sean Ryan
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12 Yoli Gunera-Gonzales, Patricia Ann Gutierrez, Rita Gutierrez-Garcia,
13 Ahava Haim, Norma Jean Halford, Prestlie Dean Hall, James Joseph
14 Hampton, Colleen Hope Hannan, Rylee Hope Hannan, Tommy Harrell,
15 Patrick Thomas Harris, Xavier Harris, Christopher James Harvey, Evan
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19 Martin H. Hobson, Paul Richard Hodgden, Daniel Robert Holloway,
20 Nathaniel James Holmes, Daphne Ronette Hope, Theresa Lynn Hubbard,
21 Rusty Lane Hubbard, Michael B. Hunter, William Hurtado, Ian
22 Yong-Shik Husovsky, Sandra Ibeth-Oliveres, Alva Iglesias, Carl Leroy
23 Jackson, Douglas Wayne Jackson, Brian James, Ashley Lee James,
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33 Lynn Lockwood, Zyaire Long, Hector Marcelo Lopez, Jessica Lopez,
34 Jeremiah Lopez, Jaime Lopez-Arenas, Maria Elena Lopez-Orzuna,
35 Gerson A. Lopez-Ramos, Andrea Tatiana Lozano Alanis, Laurie Renee
36 Lucas, Johnny Lucero, Davyne Kailee Lucero, Hezekiah Luna, Dynessty
37 Maes, Luis Henry Maes, Devin D. Maes, Felipe Jesus Maestas, Rubina
38 Iftiknar Malik, Brandi Malonson, Jennifer Lynn Marcum, Madai Soccoro
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40 Martinez, Steven Martinez, Asencion Martinez, Melmy Matos, Penny
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2 Medina, Albaro Medino, Linda Guadalupe Medrano, April Learose
3 Medrano, Juan Carlos Medrano Baldeon, Douglas Edward Meer,
4 Mauricio Mejia, April Tanisha Mejia, Lourdes Julis Mendoza-Morilla,
5 Anastasia Mercedes, Michael E. Meteer, Richard Stanley Meyer, Paul
6 Michals, Evelyn Middleton, Roger Boyd Mikkelsen, Elizabeth Ann
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9 Molina, Serenity Montoya, Brian Moore, Richard Ernest Mora, Richard
10 Kenneth Morgan, Lekiesha Morris, Lillian Celeste Morris, Shanti
11 Mountain Sage Motry, Anthony Steven Michael Moya, Saidi Muborama,
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17 Ornelas, Ever Orozco-Salcido, Bhayron Ortiz, Jessica Eileen Ortiz, Kent
18 Alan Osburn, Brian Oshaughnessy, Wyatt Sage Painter, Donald Palmer,
19 Michael Parsons, Julia Pastor-Raymunda, Aarshiya Patil, Jiaa Patil,
20 Sandra Kay Patterson, James Clinton Percy, Vanessa Perez, Gilberto
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24 Gerri Polk, Dustin Shane Poole, Lea Porter, Diana Judith Portillo,
25 Samantha Powell, Kingston Dior Powell, Eric Randolph Pracht, Michael
26 Preuit, Jacqueline Prieto, Alejandro Quinones-Zapaico, Celeste Ramirez,
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28 Rascon-Avila, Dolores Susan Raygoza, Dylan Nicholas Redwine, Keith
29 R. Reinhard, Kim Remmel, Mateo Renfro, Ivan Renteria, Ricci Reylolds,
30 Maurice Reynolds, Peggy Ann Reynolds, Ian Ashley Richardson, Sergio
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32 Roberts, Nikolas James Roche, Omar Rodriguez, Arley V. Rodriguez,
33 Georgia Lee Rohner, Kimberly Rojo, Raniro Romo, Mayra
34 Romo-Hernandez, Martha Rye Rooks, Cynthia Jimena Roque, Aubrey
35 Caroline Sacco, Janae Salas, Mario Fernando Sanchez, Gabriell Sanchez,
36 Angelica Esperanza Sandoval, Rosa Santillan, Gianna Santistevan, Kail
37 Saylor, Kelsie Schelling, Douglass Schliske, Teresa Schmidt, James
38 Schomer, Brianna Schwartz, Robert Dwaine Scott, Jose Segura, Jessica
39 G. Shoemake, Roberto Silva-Perez, Nicole Evelyn Silvers, Gene Arnold
40 Simmons, Eddie Simmons, Ashley Simmons, Alyvia Celeste Simmons,
41 John Michael Simons, Sharon Grace Singh, Ronald David Sisneros, Paul
42 Carroll Skiba, Sarah Skiba, Toni Smedley, Shay Smith, Asanee Soithong,

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3 Stevens, Joy Denise Stewart, Lucas Stinchcomb, Lashaya N. Stine, Daryl
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6 Jeff Taylor, Ctormy Braaden Lawrenc Taylor, Guy Taylor, Yugui Daniela
7 Terraza, Lori Ann Thiel, Aarone Thompson, Alberto Torres, Martin
8 Torres-Hernandez, Nicholle Torrez, Angelo Trujillo, Daniel Trujillo,
9 Maria Trujillo, Shane Kelly Turner, Ligia Miranda Uribe-Ramos,
10 Michelle Ileana Uribe-Ramos, Migdali Urbina Cruz, Michelle Rae
11 Vanek, Brandi Marie Vardas, Janette Varela-Enriquez, Annysa Marysue
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21 Young, Bret Younger, Victoria Zamora, Rafael Zapata, and Leland Zook.

22 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Resolution be sent to
23 Voices of Victims; Families of Homicide Victims and Missing Persons,
24 Inc. (FOHVAMP); Colorado Victims for Justice; the Colorado
25 Organization for Victim Assistance (COVA); and the Colorado Bureau
26 of Investigation.