

Proposition: 17-25/26T. Allred (NMSU-A),

Proposal Type: Bill Resolution Memorial Joint Proposition

Title: Memorial Honoring the Service to the NMSU Faculty Senate of Eric Oskey and Sharing Condolences with his Family for his Passing.

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Proposed Committee: N/A – this is a memorial we are asking to be heard as emergency legislation.

Prior Approvals: N/A – this is a memorial we are asking to be heard as emergency legislation.

Proposal: NMSU Faculty Senate leadership recently learned the very sad news that Eric Oskey, a member of the NMSU-Grants family and NMSU Faculty Senator, suddenly and unexpectedly passed away. Members of the NMSU Faculty Senate offer this memorial to honor Eric’s service to the NMSU Faculty Senate and share condolences with his family for his passing.

Whereas, Eric Oskey joined the NMSU Faculty Senate in October 2023 and has served as a member of the Student Success Standing Committee since joining the Senate. During this time, he gamely helped us consider a broad range of student issues including institutional access to tutoring software, textbook acquisition costs, undergraduate admissions requirements, and graduate student welfare. He was a quiet but reliable voice for NMSU-Grants and its students; and

Whereas, Eric exemplified excellence in teaching as an Associate Professor of Automotive at NMSU Grants, combining deep technical expertise with a passion for student success and active service learning. He was awarded the Roush Teaching Excellence Award in 2023; and

Whereas, Eric was a strong advocate for Career Technical Education. His leadership as the Automotive Program Manager and faculty advisor, along with his partnership with the ACE Ford Program, strengthened workforce readiness and expanded opportunities for students in the automotive field in Cibola County; and

Whereas, Eric’s dedicated service to the NMSU Grants and greater university was demonstrated through his service to the NMSU Faculty Senate, committee work, and active participation in community events like Spokes on 66 and Coffee and Cars promoting the Automotive program and NMSU Grants. These actions reflect his deep commitment to collaboration, outreach, and student opportunity at NMSU Grants; and

Whereas, Eric will be remembered for his kindness, generosity, and genuine care for others, He leaves a lasting legacy at NMSU Grants, and he will be deeply missed by students, faculty, and

staff alike, and remembered not only for his contributions to education but also as a valued colleague and friend.

Therefore, on this day of 7 May 2026, members of the NMSU Faculty Senate offer this memorial to honor the service to the NMSU Faculty Senate of Eric Oskey and share condolences with his family for his passing.