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HOUSE MEMORIAL 14-1001

101 **MEMORIALIZING FORMER REPRESENTATIVE NICK THEOS.**

1 WHEREAS, Our respected former colleague, Nick Theos, a past
2 member of the Colorado House of Representatives, departed this life on
3 April 11, 2013, at the age of 92; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Theos was born in Watson, Utah, on
5 December 8, 1920, to Angelo and Mary Theos; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Theos graduated from Grand Junction
7 High School, where he played football on the undefeated 1936 state
8 champion "Wonder Team", which did not allow a point all season; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Theos attended Colorado A&M on a
10 football scholarship in 1938; and

11 WHEREAS, Passionate about the livestock industry,
12 Representative Theos devoted his life to operating his sheep ranch and
13 working to protect the livestock industry; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Theos was also passionate about

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 politics and served in the Colorado House of Representatives in 1979 and
2 1980, representing the counties of Eagle, Garfield, Lake, Pitkin, and Rio
3 Blanco; and

4 WHEREAS, While serving in the state legislature, Representative
5 Theos served on the Agriculture, Livestock, and Natural Resources
6 Committee and the Local Government Committee, and served on the
7 interim committees for Agriculture-Water and Local Government; and

8 WHEREAS, Outside of the legislature, Representative Theos
9 served on many committees, belonged to numerous organizations, and
10 held several civic positions, including president of the Colorado Wool
11 Growers and the Public Lands Council; director for the Public Lands
12 Council; chairman of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association State Lands
13 Committee; member of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association Bureau of
14 Land Management Liaison Committee; member of a land use committee
15 for the National Wool Growers Association; and member of CLUB 20;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Representative Theos was a founding member and
18 past president of the Public Lands Council, and the Council has
19 established the Nick Theos PLC Scholarship program to provide college
20 students who are dedicated to the livestock industry the opportunity to
21 attend the annual PLC Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C.; and

22 WHEREAS, Representative Theos is remembered as a man who
23 dedicated his life to advocating for the livestock industry; and

24 WHEREAS, It is fitting that we, the members of the Sixty-ninth
25 General Assembly, pay tribute to the dedicated service of Representative
26 Nick Theos and express our deep regret and sorrow occasioned by his
27 death; now, therefore,

28 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth*
29 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

30 That, in the death of Nick Theos, the people of the state of
31 Colorado have lost a dedicated public servant and outstanding citizen, and
32 that we, the members of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly, do hereby
33 extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family and
34 pay tribute to a man who served his state well and faithfully.

1 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Memorial be sent to
2 Representative Theos' daughters, Connie Theos and Renae Theos
3 Neilson; his grandchildren, Kelcee Milton Vroman, Morgan Neilson, and
4 Taylor Neilson; his nephew, Angelo Theos; the Colorado Wool Growers
5 Association; and the Colorado Cattlemen's Association.