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SENATE RESOLUTION 21-005

101     **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF FEBRUARY 4, 2021, AS "MISSING**  
102     **PERSONS DAY" IN COLORADO.**

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

4           WHEREAS, Every 40 seconds, someone goes missing in America.  
5     Approximately 2,300 Americans are reported missing every day, and  
6     there are as many as 90,000 active missing persons cases in the United  
7     States at any given time; and

8           WHEREAS, By December 31, 2019, the Federal Bureau of  
9     Investigation reported 87,438 active missing persons in the United States,  
10    with nearly 44 percent being juveniles under the age of 21; and

11          WHEREAS, Children and adults go missing from their families for  
12     a number of devastating reasons: They run away or wander and become  
13     lost; they disappear under circumstances indicating that their  
14     disappearance may not have been voluntary; or they go missing under  
15     suspicious circumstances, indicating that they may be in physical danger

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1 or the victims of foul play; and

2 WHEREAS, In 2002, Governor Bill Owens signed House Bill  
3 02-1083, establishing the AMBER (America's Missing: Broadcast  
4 Emergency Response) Alert program in Colorado, named after  
5 nine-year-old Amber Hagerman, who was abducted and killed in Texas  
6 in 1996. The program ensures that local law enforcement agencies can  
7 use the Emergency Alert System in Colorado to broadcast information to  
8 alert citizens of missing children; and

9 WHEREAS, Since 1996, AMBER Alerts have successfully  
10 recovered 988 children nationally; and

11 WHEREAS, For all the important work done to recover missing  
12 children, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reported  
13 on its website in 2019 that 421,394 missing child reports were made to  
14 law enforcement in 2019, and the organization lists 73 missing Coloradan  
15 children from every area of the state. Although all disappeared from their  
16 families when they were children, some have been missing for decades;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, While too many families grieve and hope for the  
19 return of their missing children, others are in search of their missing  
20 family members who are of all ages; and

21 WHEREAS, According to the Alzheimer's Association, six in ten  
22 people with Alzheimer's or dementia will wander and may become lost,  
23 a frequent and frightening challenge for their caregivers and families; and

24 WHEREAS, In 2007, Governor Bill Ritter signed House Bill  
25 07-1005 into law, which expanded the senior alert program to include  
26 people with developmental disabilities, connecting caretakers with law  
27 enforcement officials who can use the reach of the radio, television  
28 stations, and other media to alert the community; and

29 WHEREAS, The awareness of citizens, media, and law  
30 enforcement, as well as their support, their efforts, and their search for  
31 missing persons, must continue; and

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

1           WHEREAS, The common misconception that a person must be  
2 absent for at least 24 hours before being legally classified as missing is  
3 dangerous and incorrect. When there is evidence of violence or of an  
4 unusual absence, it is critical that an investigation begin promptly; and

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

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

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

14           WHEREAS, The designation of "Missing Persons Day" in  
15 Colorado offers a platform to plan events that will connect families with  
16 resources to help identify and find their loved ones, including those who  
17 have been missing for many years; and

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

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

26           *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-third General  
27 Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

28           (1) That we, the members of the Senate, recognize the epidemic  
29 of the missing in America as "The Silent Mass Disaster" and empathize  
30 with the ongoing suffering of the families and friends of those who are  
31 missing;

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

9 (6) That we acknowledge the names, and the families, of the  
10 Coloradans who are currently missing: Christopher Enoch Abeyta, Luis  
11 Acosta, Crystal Acosta, Destiny Acosta, Terri Ackerman, Patricia Adams,  
12 Naxon Sadoc Aguilar-Aleman, Herman Aguirre, Ryan Albert, Dora  
13 Alcaraz, Katherine Allen, Felix Alvarado, Caleb Moreno Alvarado, Jepsi  
14 Amaga-Kallungi, Daniela Jasmin Amaro, Bryan D. Ambrose, Douglas  
15 Jose Anariba-Cruz, Uvaldo Anaya, Keith R. Anderson, Isabella Annibal,  
16 Tiannah Marie Annibal, Amanda Aragon, Miranda Arellano, Samuel  
17 Arellano, Kaden Ray Armstrong, Gabriel Angel Arteaga, Cynthia L.  
18 Atterberry, Ashley Avalos, Eliaz Ayala, Mark Manuel Baca, Gayle  
19 Katrina Baird, Brandon Masaki Baker, Alexandra Banda, Angelica Linda  
20 Barajas, Isabella Andrea Barajas, Geovonni Barela, Linda J. Barker, Jose  
21 Barnabe, Gayla Jean Barnes, Matthew Eric Barnes, Katherine Sue  
22 Barnum, Mario Barraza-Murillo, Colleen Kay Barrett, Tracy Jay Bastion,  
23 Lauri Lynn Bath, Barbara Jean Bauman, Richard Beebe, Kimberly Bell,  
24 Stephanie Benitez, Angela Cindy Benson, Pamela Sue Bera, David  
25 Gerard Berger, Gloria Berreth, Casey Berry, Ryann Bielawski, Abby  
26 Blagg, Michael Blair, Marie Ann Blee, Robert Bockmann, Dwayne  
27 Bogan, Richard Eugene Boldman, Mark Allen Bonner, Robert James  
28 Bowling, Robin Brown, Reid Brown, Ramon George Brown, Arthur  
29 Brandes, Luis Alberto Bravo-Gomez, William W. Brennan, Chad  
30 Michael Brewer, Austin E. Bryant, Edward D. Bryant, Marina Burgoon,  
31 Colleen K. Burgess, Sherry D. Bynum, Amarily Kimberly Cabrales, Fred  
32 Cain, Eduardo Antonio Calderon, Kevin Campos-Valverde, Bryan Carroll  
33 Campbell, Shalyha Marie Canchola, Dena Angelique Candelario, Luis  
34 Eduardo Carbajal-Ardon, Mariah Cardenas-Albert, Rocky Charles  
35 Carpenter, Natalie Carraseo, Gregory John Carter, Jaezell Carter Adams,  
36 Jade Casados, Reyes Ismael Casanova-Molina, Timoth Case, Abraham  
37 Castellanos-Martinez, Darisleidy Castillo, Thalia Castillo, Abbigail  
38 Castro, Rosalinda Castro-Mendoza, Jennifer C. Castro-Perdomo,  
39 Jeweliana Catbagan, Autumn Starr Cerenil, Kenneth Anthony Chacon,

1 David Chambers, Haylee Marie Chamblin, Michael Chastain, Samuel  
2 Chavez Rodriguez, Gabriel Chavez, Lizbeth Castro Suyapa Chavez, Jesse  
3 Daniel Chavez-Perez, Lorenzo Deshawn Chivers, Aldo Cid-Perez, John  
4 Cizek, Nariah Clampman, Earl Tex Clark, Randall Sirrine Clark, Camille  
5 Clare, Torrance Lynn Clark, Tyrese Clark, Javon Classen, Alexis  
6 Clements, David James Cook, Thomas Randal Cook, Christopher Wayne  
7 Coomes, Iris Berenice Coeto, Derek Colburn, Ray Collins, Ulises Combs,  
8 Bryan Christian Comeau, Ronald Compton, Kimberly Ann Conci, Martin  
9 Conley, Timothy Lee Copley, Patricia Ann Cordova, Shaun Wayne  
10 Cordova, Jamie Cortez, Charlene Cramer, Julie L. Cunningham, Amy  
11 Dabalos, Maurice Gordon Dametz, David Joseph Davis, James Earl  
12 Dean, Robert Edward Decker, Kenneth Delgarmo, Fabion Delrosario,  
13 Robert Demery, Dustin Douglas Denhartog, John Dillenger, Klariza  
14 Dominguez, Nonnie Ann Dotson, Jennifer Anne Douglas, Rex L.  
15 Douglas, Robert Carl Driggers, Stephanie Ann Drnovsek, Todd  
16 Drummond, Ricky Duffy, Charles Duke, Ella Dunn, Nathaniel Luis  
17 Edwards, Steve Robert Einspahr, Somaya Abdul Elaayi, Caleb Elaayi,  
18 Roger John Ellison, Bekime Elshani, Dyani Encinias, Elijah Espinoza,  
19 Elba Evelyn Espinoza-Romero, Julien Estavillo, Eric Todd Ewing, Alex  
20 James Faucett, J D Ferguson, William Perry Ferguson, Eugene Francis  
21 Fish, Stephanie Kay Fladgard, Austin Flores, Joselyn Fonseca, Jeffrey  
22 Lee Fossum, Christopher Lynn Frazier, Paul Clifford Frazier, Christopher  
23 S. French, Sylvia Frens, Elwood G. Friesen, Christopher James Fromm,  
24 Deion Fuentes, Jamie Gail Fults, Christian Gage, Ivan Martin Galindo,  
25 Mary Angela Gallegos, Hilga Marita Gallegos, Zaira Selene Gallegos  
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27 Shaida Ghaemi, Patricia Gilbertson, Deja Gleason, Suzanne Gookins,  
28 Karina Isabella Godinez, Phillip Gomez, Marvin Josue Gonzales-Coello,  
29 Patricia Gonzalez, Elektra Gonzalez, Jorge Gonzalez, Monserrat  
30 Gonzalez, Carlos Mario Gonzalez-Madrid, Kady Gordon, Lucas Whyte  
31 Gordon, Tyler Gorrell, John Goss, Blanca Estella Govea-Ibarra, Benjamin  
32 Franklin Gray, Maddox Greenwood, Sean Ryan Gribble, Matthew Wayne  
33 Griggs, Hailey Groves, John S. Gruber, Anthony Guerra, Isaac Guillen,  
34 Mercedes Yoli Gunera-Gonzales, Robert Alan Gustafson, Patricia Ann  
35 Gutierrez, Rita Gutierrez-Garcia, Dayanara Gutierrez-Terrazas, Ahava  
36 Haim, Norma Jean Halford, Prestlie Dean hall, Joseph Lawrence Halpern,  
37 Gordon Clyde Ham, Rashell Elizabeth Hammond, James Joseph  
38 Hampton, Colleen Hope Hannan, Jason Hannan, Rylee Hope Hannan,  
39 Tommy Harrell, Xavier Harris, Christopher James Harvey, Evan Hawley,  
40 Jon Truscott Haynes, Mitchell Todd Hein, Joseph Heinrich, Ronda  
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42 Hernandez, Ana Meliani Fuentes Hernandez, Corina Hernandez, Fabian

1 Hernandez, Moneka Hill, Vanessa Hill, Martin H. Hobson, Paul Richard  
2 Hodgden, Aaron Nicholas Hofer, Asher Wiliam Hojem, Daniel Robert  
3 Holloway, Nathaniel James Holmes, Daphne Ronette Hope, Theresa  
4 Lynn Hubbard, Rusty Lane Hubbard, Michael B. Hunter, Olivia Bella  
5 Hurd Billings, William Scott Hurtado, Sandra Ibeth-Oliveres, Alva  
6 Iglesias, Isela Thalia Jacoby, Carl Leroy Jackson, Douglas Wayne  
7 Jackson, Jordan Thomas Jackson, Makhi Jackson, Brian James, Ashley  
8 Lee James, Russel Brian Jaramillo, Julie Jarvis, Janet L. Jemello, Pascual  
9 Jimenez Alonzo, Sipriano J. Jiminez, Keyla Jimenez Miguel, Danasia  
10 Johnson, Treavon Xavier Johnson, Dennis M. Johnson, Connor Reed  
11 Silas Jones, Samera Kachacubt, Benjamin Clemens Kalina, Brian  
12 Kegseth, Rebecca Ann Kellison, Ayrayah Mysuan Kelly, Karelis Giovanni  
13 Kentish, Casey Moe Kenyon, Seth Lyon Utiger Kienzle, Sandra Lee  
14 Killian, Walter Iwao Kimoto, Tereasa Sue Knuth, Ivy Kozak, David  
15 Kramer, Ronald Kuetemeier, Jose Landa, Maria Agelina Lawson, Lori Lee  
16 Layman, Tamara Le, Laura Nanyeu Ledesma, Ryan Lee, Keiahjah Lee,  
17 Edith Bernice Lehnerz, John Francis Lenihan, Andy Joe Lepley, Jerri  
18 Lesser, Patricia Ann Lilly, Noelle Limbaugh, Mungunkhulan  
19 Lkhamkhuu, Louis Lloyd, Jennifer Lynn Lockwood, Hector Marcelo  
20 Lopez, Miguel Lopez, Jeremiah Lopez, Jaime Lopez-Arenas, Maria Elena  
21 Lopez-Orzuna, Gerson A. Lopez-Ramos, Laurie Renee Lucas, Antoine  
22 Zaylen Lucas-Miller, Davyne Kailee Lucero, Briana Madani, Felipe Jesus  
23 Maestas, Brandi Malonson, Jennifer Lynn Marcum, Madai Socorro  
24 Marentes, Mijala Marshall, Daisy Martin, Jamilyn Martinez, Steven  
25 Martinez, Asencion Martinez, Kathleen Martinez, Katieri Martinez,  
26 Leela Rae Martinez, Melmy Matos, April Matteson, Aylarayn McBroom,  
27 Devin James McCallum, Penny Lynn McClees, Michael Jerry McClure,  
28 Beverly Joan McCool, Cole McHuirie, Oscar J. McNear, Antonyo Xavier  
29 McParlin, April Renee Mearsha, Kimberly Diane Medina, Christopher  
30 Medina, Carla Medina, Crystal Medina, Albaro Medino, Isai  
31 Mejia-Gutierrez, Douglas Edward Meer, Scott Meile, Mauricio Mejia,  
32 Lourdes Julis Mendoza-Morilla, Anastasia Mercedes, Analicia Mergil,  
33 Michael E. Meteer, Richard Stanley Meyer, Paul Michals, Evelyn  
34 Middleton, Elizabeth Ann Miller, Rachelle Miller, Kyo Miller, Daniel H.  
35 Miranda, John Miranda, Brian Moore, Rudolf Moder, Justin Moder,  
36 Monty Paul Montez, Richard Ernest Mora, Richard Kenneth Morgan,  
37 Suzanne Renee Morphew, Lekiesha Morris, Shanti Mountain Sage Motry,  
38 Anthony Steven Michael Moya, Jane Aurelia Mudder, Ambly Lyn  
39 Mueller, Destiny Angelita Munoz-Ortega, Irma Rosario Muneton-Cueto,  
40 Alani Muniz, Salome Musisi, Robert Myer, Jesus Manuel Nava, Daniela  
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4 Olea, Kent Ender Olser, Ever Orozco-Salcido, Emiliano Ortega, Evayah  
5 Ortega, Ezerius Ortega, Elyscia Channelle Ortega-Cruz, Jessica Eileen  
6 Ortiz, Jose Guillermo Osorio Constanza, Kent Alan Osburn, Brian  
7 Oshaughnessy, Baylee Rae Ostensen, Jacob Paddock-Weeks, Sonia Paez  
8 Omar Marquez Paez, Sonia Paez, Lori Marie Pantazes, Julia  
9 Pastor-Raymunda, Aarshiya Patil, Jiaa Patil, Sandra Kay Patterson, Mya  
10 Pena, Xavier Joshua Perez-Garza, Gilberto Perez-Cervantes, Berkley  
11 Perkins, Darren Shawn Peters, Tom Phifer, Tyler Phillips, Robert T.  
12 Pillsen, Gary Pino, Sonia Delapaz Pineda-Magana, Gerri Polk, Dustin  
13 Shane Poole, Lea Porter, Diana Judith Portillo, Kevin Jose Portillo,  
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18 Erendida Reza Ramos, Jose Luis Rascon-Avila, Sean Rathert, Dolores  
19 Susan Raygoza, Dylan Nicholas Redwine, Krystal Anne Reisinger, Kim  
20 Remmel, Gerardo Alfonso Rendon, Ivan Renteria, Ricci Reynolds,  
21 Maurice Reynolds, Peggy Ann Reynolds, John Rice, Ian Ashley  
22 Richardson, Richard Dean Roberts, Nikolas James Roche, Benjamin  
23 Rockefeller, Asher Rockhold, Omar Rodriguez, Jorge Rodriguez, Louisa  
24 Rodriguez, Mauricio Rodriguez, Jacqueline Rodriguez, Georgia Lee  
25 Rohner, Kimberly Rojo, Sofia Lizet Rojas, Raniro Romo, Mayra  
26 Romo-Hernandez, Janelle Romero, Martha Rye Rooks, William Erick  
27 Roorda, Cynthia Jimena Roque, Alexis Rose, Melanie Ruddy, Marilyn  
28 May Alcandara Sablan, Aubrey Caroline Sacco, Janae Salas, Omar Salas,  
29 Mario Fernando Sanchez, Deanna Sanchez, Angelica Esperanza  
30 Sandoval, Gerson Aristi Sandoval-Araujo, Rosa Santillan, Gianna  
31 Santistevan, David Saucido, Shamone Scarlett, Kelsie Schelling,  
32 Douglass Schliske, Teresa Schmidt, James Schomer, Brianna Schwartz,  
33 Robert Dwaine Scott, Jose Segura, Michael Seward, Jessica G.  
34 Shoemake, Angelo Ignacio Pablo Sierra, Roberto Silva-Perez, Nicole  
35 Evelyn Silvers, Alexandra Simental, Gene Arnold Simmons, Eddie  
36 Simmons, Ashley Simmons, John Michael Simons, Ronald David  
37 Sisneros, David Sisneros, Leah Sisneros, Paul Carroll Skiba, Sarah Skiba,  
38 Sofia Sloan, Toni Smedley, Shay Smith, Cory Smith, Deante Dion Smith,  
39 Asanee Soithong, Guy Lee Solano, Guadalupe Sosa, Taylor Sparks, Julie  
40 Shawn Stefanek, Angela Stevens, Joy Denise Stewart, Lashaya N. Stine,  
41 Daryl A. Stockert, Leval Dijon Storey, Matthew Stuart Storrs, Raymond  
42 Stubblefield, Carla Suarez, Makayla Summers, Clinton John Anthony

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4 Andrew Thomson, Joshua Ticcarreto, Michelle Marie Tresco, Savanna  
5 Rae Todd, Alberto Torres, Jeffrey Torres, Martin Torres-Hernandez,  
6 Nicholle Torrez, Romella Toumanian, Michelle Marie Tresco, Daniel  
7 Trujillo, Maria Trujillo, Shane Kelly Turner, Ligia Miranda  
8 Uribe-Ramos, Michelle Ileana Uribe-Ramos, Migdali Urbina Cruz,  
9 Michelle Rae Vanek, Brandi Marie Vardas, Zadia Vasquez-Cabrera,  
10 Mark Veitch, Sheranique Vejill-Roberts, Ricky John Jr. Velasquez, Odell  
11 Vest, Denajsha Jaylynn Vialpano, Chris W. Vigil, Amadeo Vigil, Randy  
12 Vigil, Robert Gilbert Vigil, David Eulises Villa Noriega, Whitney Bryi  
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20 Abraham W. Yohhanes, Dz You Ying Pu, Bret Younger, Victoria  
21 Zamora, Ariana Zamora, Walter Alan Zebelman, 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.