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SENATE RESOLUTION 21-005

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

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;

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

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

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

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, Jazell 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
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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
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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
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21 Fish, Stephanie Kay Fladgard, Austin Flores, Joselyn Fonseca, Jeffrey
22 Lee Fossum, Christopher Lynn Frazier, Paul Clifford Frazier, Christopher
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26 Zavalo, Leslie Garcia-Herrera, Stanley Owen Gardner, Gavin Gomez,
27 Shaida Ghaemi, Patricia Gilbertson, Deja Gleason, Suzanne Gookins,
28 Karina Isabella Godinez, Phillip Gomez, Marvin Josue Gonzales-Coello,
29 Patricia Gonzalez, Elektera 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,
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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,
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8 Lee James, Russel Brian Jaramillo, Julie Jarvis, Janet L. Jemello, Pascual
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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 Jiovanni
13 Kentish, Casey Moe Kenyon, Seth Lyon Utiger Kienzle, Sandra Lee
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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
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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
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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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2 Katrina Nezat, Kara Nancy Nichols, Mary Niemi, John Northup,
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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
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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
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31 Santistevan, David Saucido, Shamone Scarlett, Kelsie Schelling,
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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,
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6 Nicholle Torrez, Romella Toumanian, Michelle Marie Tresco, Daniel
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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.