



SENATE RESOLUTION 21-007

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CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION AND REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE LOST TO COVID-19 IN THE LATINO COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, As of June 8, 2021, Colorado has experienced 547,191 cases of COVID-19; 30,579 hospitalizations; and 6,783 deaths due to the coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of families and communities across our state will never be able to celebrate holidays, attend their grandchildren's school plays, or enjoy a meal together because this virus has robbed them of those precious moments together; and

WHEREAS, This pandemic disproportionately impacted Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities in Colorado. Earlier this year, Latinos accounted for 22% of our state population but 42% of COVID-19 cases, 25% of deaths, and still constitute less than 10% of the vaccinated population; and

WHEREAS, There are many socioeconomic factors, employment as essential workers, and lack of access to healthcare and critical services that are responsible for this disproportionate impact among our Black, Brown, and Indigenous families and communities; now, therefore,

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

That it is the responsibility of this General Assembly, as we move forward together to rebuild our state, to publicly remember the Coloradans hardest hit by this pandemic;

That we take a moment to recognize the abuelas, abuelos, padres, madres, esposas, esposos, hijos, hijas, hermanas, hermanos, tias, tios, primas, primos, y amigos that are no longer here because of the coronavirus; and

That those lost to COVID-19 rest in peace and rest assured that we are working tirelessly to ensure other familias not endure the loss and heartache already experienced by so many.

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