THIS AMENDMENT PASSED ON A 8-1 VOTE. For: Baca, Bassan, Champine, Fiebelkorn, Grout, Lewis, Rogers, Sanchez Against: Peña

CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

February 21, 2024

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. __1___ TO <u>M-24-2</u>

AMENDMENT SPONSORED BY COUNCILORS Baca, Bassan

1. On page 2, line 5, insert the following:

[WHEREAS, Prior to the start of the 2024 Legislative Session, Governor Michelle Lujan-Grisham said, "This bill [SB 16] reflects our commitment to a justice system that is fair, compassionate, and responsive to the mental health needs of individuals involved in the legal process. I urge the Legislature to support this important measure for the well-being of our communities."; and

WHEREAS, In a post-Legislative Session press conference, the Governor commented on the recent deadly stabbing of Las Cruces Officer, Jonah Hernandez, stating, "Officer Hernandez was fatally attacked by a repeat offender who, based on the information we all have, had a mental illness, and a drug abuse, substance abuse problem. Individuals need both our help for treatment, but they also need to be in a system that can be accountable in the context of keeping everyone else safe."; and

WHEREAS, The Governor also noted, "We need a tool for folks who are repeat offenders because of these issues - substance abuse, behavioral health, mental health issues - to make sure that they can get the required treatment."; and]

2. On page 2, line 11, amend as follows:

[SECTION 2. The Albuquerque City Council urges the Governor of New Mexico to call a special legislative session to allow the adoption of legislation focused on addressing criminal and civil competency.]

[SECTION 2.] [SECTION 3.]

Explanation: This amendment proposes to:

- 1. Insert new recitals containing quotes from the Governor;
- 2. Urge the Governor to call a special legislative session; and
- 3. Renumber sections in the memorial.