

A MEMORIAL

**HONORING NEW MEXICO'S MANY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO OUR STATE'S WELL-BEING
AND HEALTHY FUTURE.**

**WHEREAS, career and technical student organizations are
an integral and vital part of career and technical education;
and**

**WHEREAS, career and technical student organizations
involve about ten thousand students statewide in skill-based
education programs, including classroom instruction, work-
based learning and community service; and**

**WHEREAS, career and technical student organizations
provide leadership development and competitive activities at
the local, state and national levels; and**

**WHEREAS, partnerships with businesses, trade
associations and professional organizations have been
developed with these career and technical student
organizations that provide excellent mentoring; and**

**WHEREAS, career and technical student organizations
support the economy by preparing students for the workplace,
improving employment opportunities for New Mexicans and
building students' self-esteem and confidence; and**

**WHEREAS, career and technical student organizations
such as distributive education clubs of America (DECA),**

business professionals of America, the technology student association, skills USA, vocational industrial clubs of America (VICA), family, career and community leaders of America and an organization for agricultural education students (FFA) all contribute in major ways to healthy core values, work ethics and good business practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition and honor be extended to the many career and technical student organizations that contribute so much to the development of students into productive members of our society and fully participating citizens of New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be sent to the various career and technical student organizations honored.