1 SENATE MEMORIAL 100 2 51st legislature - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - second session, 2014 3 INTRODUCED BY 4 Richard C. Martinez 5 6 7 8 9 10 A MEMORIAL 11 DECLARING FEBRUARY 17, 2014 AS "MILITARY AND VETERANS' DAY" IN 12 THE SENATE. 13 14 WHEREAS, New Mexico has a long history of military service 15 by its residents, a service that dates back hundreds of years 16 before statehood, when indigenous New Mexicans resisted the 17 advancement of European settlers in the area; and 18 WHEREAS, after New Mexico became the forty-seventh state 19 of the union, New Mexicans soon answered the call to arms when 20 the nation recruited brave men and women to serve in World War 21 I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Cold War, the Vietnam 22 Conflict, the Gulf War, the north Atlantic treaty organization 23 intervention in the Bosnian War and the global war on terrorism after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack; and WHEREAS, with four military installations located in New

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Mexico, and one hundred seventy-one thousand veterans and military retirees living in the state, military influence continues to remain a strong part of the state today; and

WHEREAS, the post-service care of current and former warriors and their families is an urgent and important priority, because the military community has earned this benefit through sacrifice and service to the United States; and

WHEREAS, gratitude is extended to the numerous veterans' service organizations in the state for the valuable services they provide in caring for the military community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 17, 2014 be declared "Military and Veterans' Day" in the senate and that gratitude be extended to New Mexico's current and former military service members and to the veterans' service organizations for working in partnership with the state to serve these current and former heroes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the department of military affairs and to the veterans' services department.

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