

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 25, 2016 "UNM DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES IN RECOGNITION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW
4 MEXICO'S DEDICATION TO EDUCATION, RESEARCH, HEALTH AND PUBLIC
5 SERVICE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF NEW MEXICO.

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7 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico was founded in
8 1889; and

9 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico is the state's
10 flagship research institution, serving thirty-six thousand
11 students and employing twenty-two thousand New Mexicans; and

12 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico enrolls forty-
13 eight percent of New Mexico college students in four-year
14 institutions and has the highest four-year, five-year and
15 six-year graduation rates in New Mexico; and

16 WHEREAS, university of New Mexico students attain forty-
17 four percent of the state's baccalaureate degrees and
18 seventy-seven percent of the state's doctoral and first
19 professional degrees; and

20 WHEREAS, there are more than one hundred sixty-nine
21 thousand active alumni, with lobos in every state and nearly
22 one hundred countries; and

23 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico provides a
24 research-driven education whereby faculty members engage in
25 the investigation and scholarship that create new knowledge;

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2 WHEREAS, *Hispanic Business Magazine* has ranked the
3 university of New Mexico in the top ten in the country for
4 best business school, best engineering school, best law
5 school and best medical school; and

6 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico health sciences
7 center is the largest academic health complex in the state,
8 combining education, research, patient care and community
9 outreach to provide New Mexicans with the highest level of
10 health care; and

11 WHEREAS, since 2008, the university of New Mexico has
12 received over two billion four hundred million dollars
13 (\$2,400,000,000) in contracts and research awards; and

14 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico filed for ninety-
15 nine patents and was issued forty-six patents; and

16 WHEREAS, in total, the university of New Mexico has
17 filed for one thousand two hundred eleven patents, has been
18 issued four hundred fifty-four patents and has spun off
19 ninety start-up companies; and

20 WHEREAS, the goal of the university of New Mexico's 2020
21 vision plan is a sustained culture of innovation committed to
22 developing solutions to society's complex problems through
23 research and generating new knowledge and then taking those
24 solutions into the marketplace;

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF

1 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 25,
2 2016 be declared "UNM Day" in the house of representatives
3 and that the university of New Mexico be commended for its
4 service and dedication to the residents of New Mexico; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the president of the university of New Mexico.

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