

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 26, 2016 "SOUTHWEST CHEESE DAY" IN THE
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, the city of Clovis and Clovis industrial
6 development recruited Southwest Cheese in 2004; and

7 WHEREAS, the Southwest Cheese plant opened in October
8 2005 using approximately two hundred million dollars
9 (\$200,000,000) of industrial revenue bonds issued by the city
10 of Clovis; and

11 WHEREAS, the Southwest Cheese plant opened with
12 approximately two hundred five employees in 2005; and

13 WHEREAS, in 2010, the Southwest Cheese plant underwent a
14 one-hundred-million-dollar (\$100,000,000) expansion, using
15 industrial revenue bonds issued by the city of Clovis; and

16 WHEREAS, the 2010 expansion increased employment to
17 approximately three hundred eighty employees; and

18 WHEREAS, the 2010 expansion increased annual output to
19 more than four hundred twenty million pounds of cheese and
20 more than twenty-nine million pounds of whey protein powder;
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22 WHEREAS, the second expansion, using approximately one
23 hundred sixty million dollars (\$160,000,000) of industrial
24 revenue bonds issued by the city of Clovis, is scheduled to
25 begin in April 2016; and

1 WHEREAS, the second expansion will add approximately one
2 hundred ten thousand square feet to the plant and will result
3 in Southwest Cheese becoming the world's largest cheese
4 plant; and

5 WHEREAS, this expansion will accommodate an additional
6 three million pounds of milk per day and increase milk input
7 to approximately eleven million pounds daily and add an
8 additional forty-eight employees and bring total employment
9 to approximately four hundred twenty-eight employees;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
11 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 26, 2016 be declared
12 "Southwest Cheese Day" in the senate; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
14 transmitted to the president of Southwest Cheese. _____

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