

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 9, 2017 "MCKINLEY COUNTY AND GALLUP DAY"
3 IN THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup are the
6 northwestern gateway to New Mexico; and

7 WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup reflect
8 the rich cultural, recreational and economic diversity of
9 New Mexico; and

10 WHEREAS, McKinley county has the greatest number of
11 Native American residents of any New Mexico county and is the
12 home of members of the Navajo Nation and the Pueblo of Zuni
13 and of one of the largest gatherings of Native Americans, the
14 annual intertribal Indian ceremonial; and

15 WHEREAS, McKinley county is the home of Red Rock park;
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17 WHEREAS, McKinley county incorporates the continental
18 divide, which separates the watersheds of the Pacific and
19 Atlantic oceans; and

20 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup has a historic downtown and
21 is recognized as both a New Mexico mainstreet and an arts and
22 cultural district; and

23 WHEREAS, McKinley county hosted the twenty-four-hour
24 national mountain bicycling championships and boosts usage
25 and awareness of the Zuni mountain trail system, the jewel of

1 the southwest; and

2 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is known as the adventure
3 capital of New Mexico and is recognized as the most patriotic
4 small town in America; and

5 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is a center of commerce for
6 members of the Navajo Nation and has been a corridor for
7 cross-country rail traffic since the nineteenth century;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
9 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 9, 2017 be designated
10 "McKinley County and Gallup Day" in the senate to honor and
11 showcase the many facets of McKinley county and of the city
12 of Gallup; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
14 transmitted to the board of county commissioners of McKinley
15 county and to the mayor and city council of the city of
16 Gallup.

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