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DECLARING FEBRUARY 20, 2017 AS "NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATOR
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WHEREAS, public educators are vital and integral parts of
New Mexico's education system throughout the state in early
education centers, eighty-nine diverse school districts and
institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, learning is a continuum from birth through
career, each level building upon prior learning; and

WHEREAS, early education professionals work with New
Mexico's youngest learners to lay a solid foundation for future
learning and cultivate young minds in an effort to promote
lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, instructional personnel, support personnel and
ancillary personnel are responsible for the important task of

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1 educating future generations of New Mexicans and contribute
2 daily to the growth and success of children, often in
3 challenging settings; and

4 WHEREAS, educational assistants, instructional assistants
5 and community support liaisons often serve high-needs student
6 populations, including special education students and students
7 with exceptional behavioral and social needs, and often assist
8 teachers with the youngest students in schools; and

9 WHEREAS, facilities personnel, transportation personnel,
10 secretaries and cafeteria workers take pride in the rewarding
11 role they play within New Mexico's education system at all
12 levels and work hard to serve all students; and

13 WHEREAS, New Mexico's public higher education institutions
14 continue to build upon the educational foundation that students
15 received in high school and provide students with essential
16 skills and knowledge that enhance personal growth, economic
17 opportunity and civic engagement; and

18 WHEREAS, faculty at New Mexico's public colleges and
19 universities conduct ground-breaking research that has led to
20 important contributions to the economic growth and social
21 welfare of the state; and

22 WHEREAS, New Mexico's public educators are, as a whole,
23 responsible for challenging, encouraging and preparing
24 generation after generation of New Mexico's children for future
25 success;

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