

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 23, 2018 "SCHOOL NUTRITION DAY" IN THE
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, school nutrition programs provided through the
6 national school lunch program and school breakfast program
7 have provided millions of healthy and nutritious meals to
8 schoolchildren throughout New Mexico for more than seventy
9 years; and

10 WHEREAS, school nutrition programs serve healthy meals,
11 free or at low cost, to students in New Mexico schools; and

12 WHEREAS, school nutrition programs not only feed hungry
13 children and support family well-being, they also act as
14 "economic stabilizers" during economic downturns; and

15 WHEREAS, many children consume at least one-half of
16 their daily calories at school, and for many children, food
17 served at school may be the only nutritious food they
18 regularly eat; and

19 WHEREAS, one billion five hundred million dollars
20 (\$1,500,000,000) annually in health care expenses is related
21 to obesity and diabetes;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
23 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state recognize that funding for
24 school nutrition programs to promote healthier lifestyles and
25 academic achievement is a wise investment in the health of

1 its people and its future workforce; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that January 23, 2018 be declared

3 "School Nutrition Day" in the senate. _____

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