

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 9, 2018 "NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT
3 COUNCILS DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, established in 1950, the New Mexico association
6 of student councils was founded by a group of educators who
7 wanted to create an organization for student leaders to
8 encourage practice of the democratic process, citizenship
9 and service while fostering an exchange of ideas and
10 problem-solving strategies in New Mexico schools; and

11 WHEREAS, student councils follow the principles for
12 which the United States was founded and focus on active
13 citizen participation; and

14 WHEREAS, many members of the New Mexico legislature
15 began their public service careers as members of student
16 councils; and

17 WHEREAS, the vision of the New Mexico association of
18 student councils is to create the leaders of tomorrow, today,
19 all in the spirit of serving, guiding and leading; and

20 WHEREAS, the New Mexico association of student councils
21 believes in the promotion of unity while respecting diversity
22 of individuals; and

23 WHEREAS, the New Mexico association of student councils
24 encourages total involvement and participation through
25 attendance in leadership training; and

1 WHEREAS, the New Mexico association of student councils
2 supports the ideals of service within New Mexico communities;
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4 WHEREAS, the practice of the democratic process
5 preserves the equal voices of students and advisors by the
6 election of association leaders as executive board members;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, by being a part of the New Mexico association
9 of student councils, students and advisors have opportunities
10 to network with a wide variety of organizations, businesses
11 and people from across the state and nation; and

12 WHEREAS, youth across the country and New Mexico want to
13 play an active role in their futures; and

14 WHEREAS, active engagement is critical to democracy, and
15 the United States of America's founding fathers were the
16 model of an active citizenry; and

17 WHEREAS, on February 9, 2018, over one thousand young
18 people and over one hundred fifty adult sponsors from across
19 New Mexico will participate in the sixty-eighth New Mexico
20 association of student councils conference in Bernalillo,
21 New Mexico; and

22 WHEREAS, a dedicated group of New Mexico organizations
23 and sponsors have come together to support the sixty-eighth
24 New Mexico association of student councils conference; and

25 WHEREAS, solutions to preserve New Mexico's rich

1 traditions for future generations can be implemented through
2 dedicated student engagement on student councils;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 9, 2018 be declared
5 "New Mexico Association of Student Councils Day" in the
6 senate; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
8 transmitted to the executive director of the New Mexico
9 association of student councils.

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