

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING PB&J FAMILY SERVICES, ALSO KNOWN AS PEANUT BUTTER
3 AND JELLY, AND PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 7, 2023 "PB&J DAY" IN THE
4 SENATE.

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6 WHEREAS, PB&J family services was founded in 1972 in
7 Albuquerque's southwest valley in response to a scarcity of
8 services and supports for children at-risk and their
9 families; and

10 WHEREAS, PB&J's mission is to serve at-risk children to
11 ensure that they grow to their full potential, within
12 nurturing families, in a supportive community; and

13 WHEREAS, the services provided by PB&J are rooted in the
14 experiences of the first children and families served by
15 PB&J, whose mothers were receiving county mental health
16 services; and

17 WHEREAS, for over fifty years, PB&J has continued to
18 support communities and families, embracing families where
19 they are, including in prisons and jails, and responding to
20 the needs of children and families that have emerged in a
21 changing society; and

22 WHEREAS, PB&J has developed programs to support unique
23 families, developing home-based programs to support parents
24 with developmental disabilities and those whose substance use
25 impacts their ability to care for their children; and

1 WHEREAS, PB&J's main site in Albuquerque's southwest
2 valley is eighty years old and in deteriorating condition to
3 the point of facing condemnation; and

4 WHEREAS, PB&J is hopeful that legislative support will
5 be extended to relocate PB&J to a safe, suitable site; and

6 WHEREAS, PB&J is unique in its commitment to offer
7 ongoing, cutting-edge, comprehensive, developmental and
8 wraparound services for over half a century; and

9 WHEREAS, PB&J has been a beacon of hope for thousands of
10 at-risk children and families, serving, in many instances,
11 generations to reunite and restore environments where
12 children grow in loving, healthy and secure families; and

13 WHEREAS, for fifty years, PB&J has been a critical
14 therapeutic resource to many state government departments and
15 agencies;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition be extended to PB&J
18 family services for its critical role in supporting the
19 communities and families of Albuquerque's southwest valley
20 and the greater Bernalillo and Sandoval county areas; and
21 that February 7, 2023 be proclaimed "PB&J Day" in the Senate;
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
24 transmitted to PB&J family services. _____

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