

A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 12, 2013 "BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, boys and girls clubs provide services to over thirty thousand eight hundred seventy-eight school-aged youth in forty-four club sites in twenty-five cities in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, their goal is to inspire all young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens; and

WHEREAS, through strong, proven development programs, leaders in the boys and girls clubs stress character and leadership development, education and career advancement and health and life skills; and

WHEREAS, they encourage an appreciation for the arts and provide programs in sports, fitness and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the programs promote a better self-image and improved education, social, emotional and cultural awareness while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values and enhanced life-management skills; and

WHEREAS, through the years, boys and girls clubs have encouraged young people to aspire to the highest level of personal development and to become good citizens who are

involved in their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition be extended to the boys and girls clubs of New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 12, 2013 be declared "Boys and Girls Clubs Day" in the house of representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the boys and girls clubs of New Mexico.