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A JOINT MEMORIAL

SUPPORTING THE ONE BILLION RISING EVENT TO END VIOLENCE  
AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATED BY V-DAY AND RECOGNIZING  
FEBRUARY 14, 2013 AS ONE BILLION RISING V-DAY IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, V-Day, a not-for-profit charity, is a global  
activist movement to end violence against women and girls and  
is a catalyst that promotes creative events to increase  
awareness, raise money and revitalize the spirit of existing  
antiviolence organizations; and

WHEREAS, one in three women on the planet will be raped  
or beaten in her lifetime, meaning more than one billion of  
the world's population of seven billion will experience this  
violence; and

WHEREAS, One Billion Rising is a campaign initiated by  
V-Day to break the chain of violence against women and girls,  
using dance as a tool to walk out, rise up and demand an end  
to violence; and

WHEREAS, One Billion Rising is an act of solidarity,  
demonstrating to women and girls the commonality of their  
struggle and their power in numbers; and

WHEREAS, One Billion Rising is a call to men and women  
to refuse to participate in the status quo until rape and rape  
culture end; and

WHEREAS, through One Billion Rising, the world will see

1 that New Mexico has the collective strength to help break the  
2 chain of violence against women and girls;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it support the One Billion Rising  
5 campaign to end violence against women and girls; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 14, 2013 be  
7 recognized in New Mexico as One Billion Rising V-Day in honor  
8 of the survivors of violence and sexual abuse; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
10 transmitted to V-Day, the New Mexico coalition against  
11 domestic violence; Esperanza shelter for battered families;  
12 the New Mexico coalition of sexual assault programs; Solace  
13 crisis treatment center; the Life Link; Tewa women united; the  
14 coordinated community response council; Together Strong;  
15 Silver regional sexual assault support services;  
16 Cecile Lipworth; and Audri Roybal.

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