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51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, November is officially lung cancer awareness month; and

WHEREAS, during November, people around the world come together in support of the lung cancer community; and

WHEREAS, about one hundred fifty-eight thousand people die each year from lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, an estimated two hundred twenty-one thousand people were diagnosed with lung cancer in 2011; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, evidence has shown that certain screening can reduce the number of people dying of lung cancer by tens of thousands each year; and

1 WHEREAS, the number of lung cancer clinical trials has
2 nearly doubled in recent years; and

3 WHEREAS, more than fifty major medical institutions,
4 national public health organizations, veterans service
5 organizations and social justice advocacy groups have joined
6 together in public support of lung cancer mortality reduction;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the state of New Mexico understands the value of
9 bringing awareness to this important issue;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
11 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that November 2013
12 be recognized as lung cancer awareness month.