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SENATE MEMORIAL 78

52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 17, 2015 "CHESS DAY" IN THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, chess is one of the world's most popular games, played by millions of people worldwide in homes, parks, clubs, online, by correspondence and in tournaments; and

WHEREAS, studies show that chess assists with improved memory, improved cognitive abilities, strategic thinking and attention improvement; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that chess education is an effective tool for developing analytical skills in children; and

WHEREAS, chess education has been shown to improve test scores for students; and

WHEREAS, there are countless instances of chess being credited with changing people's lives for the better; and

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1 WHEREAS, New Mexico has a deep and impressive roster of
2 chess educators who have worked tirelessly to increase access
3 to chess education for children in New Mexico; and

4 WHEREAS, learners chess academy, founded in 2010, has
5 developed after-school chess clubs in more than forty schools
6 over the last four years, has taught thousands of children how
7 to play chess in after-school programs and camps and has become
8 nationally recognized for its innovative work; and

9 WHEREAS, chess educators, organizers and tournament
10 directors have been teaching and developing chess opportunities
11 for New Mexico youth for many years;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
13 OF NEW MEXICO that February 17, 2015 be declared "Chess Day" in
14 the senate and that recognition be given to individuals who
15 made contributions to the development of countless young people
16 through years of service as chess coaches, organizers and
17 directors; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that educators and others wishing
19 to make a difference in the lives of young people be urged to
20 consider how they can support the development of youth chess in
21 New Mexico as coaches, organizers, volunteers, donors or in
22 other ways that positively contribute to opportunities for
23 young people to learn the game of chess; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
25 transmitted to the president of the New Mexico chess

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