

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 11, 2016 "NORTHERN NEW MEXICO COLLEGE
3 FOUNDATION DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, in 1996, a group of visionaries in the Espanola
6 valley and surrounding communities came together and created
7 the northern New Mexico college foundation; and

8 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation was
9 created to build a legacy of support for students pursuing a
10 college degree in northern New Mexico; and

11 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation
12 began without a benefactor but with a lofty goal to build an
13 endowment to serve as a permanent investment in the Espanola
14 valley's future; and

15 WHEREAS, northern New Mexico college foundation staff
16 worked with the board of directors to grow the endowment to a
17 present-day total of over three million dollars (\$3,000,000);
18 and

19 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation
20 continues to fulfill its mission with community partners who
21 share the vision and commitment and to increase, manage and
22 distribute resources for the benefit of the students,
23 community and the college; and

24 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation
25 manages an endowment of over three million two hundred

1 thousand dollars (\$3,200,000); and

2 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation
3 hosts over sixty scholarship funds, and in twenty years, the
4 foundation has given out more than one million two hundred
5 thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) in scholarship awards to
6 students pursuing a degree at northern New Mexico college;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, more than one thousand three hundred students
9 have been supported since 1996, and in 2015, one hundred
10 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) was available to
11 grant; and

12 WHEREAS, the northern New Mexico college foundation
13 celebrated twenty years of philanthropy in the Espanola
14 valley at the "Annual Northern Foundation Gala: Twenty Years
15 in the Heart of the Valley";

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the northern New Mexico college
18 foundation be recognized for the enduring role it plays in
19 providing educational opportunities to northern New Mexicans
20 and the many students who relocate to the region to pursue a
21 college degree; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 11, 2016 be
23 designated "Northern New Mexico College Foundation Day" in
24 the senate; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

1 transmitted to the board of directors of the northern
2 New Mexico college foundation and to the president and the
3 members of the board of regents of northern New Mexico
4 college. _____

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