

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 30, 2017 "UNM DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES IN RECOGNITION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW
4 MEXICO'S DEDICATION TO EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND PUBLIC SERVICE
5 TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW MEXICO.

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7 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico was founded in
8 1889; and

9 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico is the state's
10 flagship research institution, serving thirty-five thousand
11 students and employing twenty-seven thousand New Mexicans,
12 including employees of the university of New Mexico hospital;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, university of New Mexico students attain forty-
15 six percent of the state's baccalaureate degrees and eighty
16 percent of New Mexico's doctoral and first professional
17 degrees; and

18 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico annually awards
19 fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) in scholarships; and

20 WHEREAS, there are more than one hundred sixty-nine
21 thousand active alumni, with lobos in every state and nearly
22 one hundred countries; and

23 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico ranked one hundred
24 ninety-sixth out of the world's top one thousand universities
25 in the 2016 center for world university rankings; and

1 WHEREAS, *Hispanic Business Magazine* recently ranked the
2 university of New Mexico in the top ten in the country for
3 best business school, best engineering school, best law
4 school and best medical school; and

5 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico health sciences
6 center is the state's largest integrated health care
7 treatment, research and education organization, with top ten
8 national rankings for rural medicine, family medicine,
9 nursing and midwifery; and

10 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico provides a
11 research-driven education, where faculty members engage in
12 the investigation and scholarship that create new knowledge;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, since 2008, the university of New Mexico has
15 received over two billion five hundred million dollars
16 (\$2,500,000,000) in contracts and research rewards; and

17 WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2016, the university of New
18 Mexico filed for seventy-seven patents, was awarded sixty-
19 nine patents, had fifty-four option or license agreements and
20 spun off twelve start-up companies; and

21 WHEREAS, in the past twenty years, the university of New
22 Mexico has filed for one thousand two hundred eighty-eight
23 patents, has been issued five hundred twenty-three patents
24 and has spun off one hundred three start-up companies; and

25 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico's education,

1 public service and research develop and nurture the new
2 knowledge and ideas that will bring sustained wealth to New
3 Mexico's economy;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 30,
6 2017 be declared "UNM Day" in the house of representatives
7 and that the university of New Mexico be commended for its
8 service and dedication to the residents of New Mexico; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
10 transmitted to the president of the university of New Mexico.

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