

1 A MEMORIAL

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

6
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
15 forty-six percent of the state's baccalaureate degrees and
16 eighty percent of New Mexico's doctoral and first
17 professional 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
18 New Mexico filed for seventy-seven patents, was awarded
19 sixty-nine patents, had fifty-four option or license
20 agreements and spun off twelve start-up companies; and

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

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

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

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

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