

1 A MEMORIAL

2 CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
3 ALL-STATE ACADEMIC TEAM MEMBERS AND DECLARING FEBRUARY 27,
4 2017 "COMMUNITY COLLEGE COMPLETION DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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6 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges join with phi
7 theta kappa, the international honor society of two-year
8 colleges, in support of college completion efforts and to
9 honor a group of the best and brightest students as members
10 of the "New Mexico all-state academic team"; and

11 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges provide a broad
12 array of post-secondary educational services in communities
13 throughout the state, including two-year degree programs and
14 certificates, leading to well-paid employment in many sectors
15 of the state's economy; and

16 WHEREAS, completing an associate's degree or certificate
17 from a New Mexico community college creates better citizens;
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19 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to
20 making positive changes in the interest of student success
21 and college completion; and

22 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to
23 the creation of partnerships with high school and university
24 officials to foster policies that promote smooth transitions
25 from one educational institution to another; and

1 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to
2 student access and to student success, and try to provide all
3 students with the essential resources and support systems
4 that lead to establishing a culture of college completion;
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6 WHEREAS, community colleges, while increasing success
7 rates for all students, are working with particular focus
8 toward the elimination of roadblocks that separate student
9 groups on the basis of race, ethnicity and family income; and

10 WHEREAS, the outstanding academic success of the
11 thirty-five members of the 2017 New Mexico all-state academic
12 team, most of whom are members of phi theta kappa honor
13 society, is being recognized during ceremonies at the state
14 capitol on February 27, 2017, at which time the students will
15 be honored for their academic achievements, as well as for
16 scholarship offers from New Mexico's participating public
17 universities to complete their baccalaureate degrees;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that in recognition of the significant
20 contribution of New Mexico community colleges in the
21 preparation of a skilled work force for the state's economy,
22 and of the academic success of the members of the New Mexico
23 all-state academic team, February 27, 2017 be declared
24 "Community College Completion Day" in the senate; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

1 transmitted to the members of the 2017 New Mexico all-state
2 academic team and the twenty phi theta kappa chapters in the
3 New Mexico region.

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