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A MEMORIAL

CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
ALL-STATE ACADEMIC TEAM MEMBERS AND DECLARING  
JANUARY 31, 2018 "COMMUNITY COLLEGE COMPLETION DAY" IN THE  
SENATE.

WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges join with phi  
theta kappa, the international honor society of two-year  
colleges, in support of college completion efforts and to  
honor a group of the best and brightest students as members  
of the 2018 New Mexico all-state academic team; and

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

WHEREAS, completing an associate's degree or certificate  
from a New Mexico community college creates better citizens;  
and

WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to  
making positive changes in the interest of student success  
and college completion; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to  
the creation of partnerships with high school and university  
officials to foster policies that promote smooth transitions

1 from one educational institution to another; and

2 WHEREAS, New Mexico community colleges are committed to  
3 student access and student success and try to provide all  
4 students with the essential resources and support systems  
5 that lead to establishing a culture of college completion;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, community colleges, while increasing success  
8 rates for all students, are working with particular focus  
9 toward the elimination of roadblocks that separate student  
10 groups on the basis of race, ethnicity and family income; and

11 WHEREAS, the outstanding academic success of the  
12 twenty-seven members of the 2018 New Mexico all-state  
13 academic team, most of whom are members of phi theta kappa  
14 honor society, is being recognized during ceremonies at the  
15 state capitol on January 31, 2018, at which time the students  
16 will be honored for their academic achievements, as well as  
17 for scholarship offers from New Mexico's participating public  
18 universities to complete their baccalaureate degrees;

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
20 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that in recognition of the significant  
21 contribution of New Mexico community colleges in the  
22 preparation of a skilled workforce for the state's economy,  
23 and of the academic success of the members of the New Mexico  
24 all-state academic team, January 31, 2018 be declared  
25 "Community College Completion Day" in the senate; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the members of the 2018 New Mexico all-state academic team and the twenty phi theta kappa chapters in the New Mexico region.

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