1	A MEMORIAL
2	DECLARING FEBRUARY 5, 2018 "NEW MEXICO ATHLETIC TRAINER DAY"
3	IN THE SENATE.
4	
5	WHEREAS, athletic trainers have a long history of
6	providing quality health care services for athletes and those
7	engaged in regular physical activity; and
8	WHEREAS, athletic trainers are able to recommend
9	specific tasks and activities based on the knowledge and
10	skills they acquired through their nationally regulated
11	educational processes; and
12	WHEREAS, athletic trainers are educated and skilled in
13	the prevention, recognition, evaluation and aggressive
14	treatment of athletic injuries; and
15	WHEREAS, athletic trainers provide rehabilitative
16	services, education and health care guidance for their
17	clients; and
18	WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association
19	represents and supports forty-four thousand members of the
20	athletic training profession, including more than one hundred
21	fifty athletic trainers in New Mexico; and
22	WHEREAS, athletic trainers are employed in a variety of
23	settings, including professional sports organizations,
24	colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and
25	hospitals, performing arts centers, corporate and industrial

SM 68 Page l

settings and all branches of the United States military; and

WHEREAS, leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have united in a common commitment to raise public awareness of the importance of the profession of athletic training and the role of athletic trainers in the provision of quality health care services; and

WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association sponsors national training month every March; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the senate to promote improved health care for athletes and all of those who engage in physical activity, including those participating in the annual legislative basketball game;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 5, 2018 be declared "New Mexico Athletic Trainer Day" in the senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the New Mexico athletic trainers' association and the national athletic trainers' association.\_\_\_\_\_ SM 68

Page 2