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HOUSE MEMORIAL 4
54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019
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A MEMORIAL
DECLARING FEBRUARY 18, 2019 AS "NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATOR
APPRECIATION DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, public educators are vital and integral parts of
New Mexico's education system throughout the state in early
education centers, eighty-nine diverse school districts and
institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, learning is a continuum from birth through
career, each level building upon prior learning, and educators
work to embrace their students' cultural, linguistic and
familial knowledge to create a truly enriching educational
experience; and

WHEREAS, early education professionals work with New
Mexico's youngest learners to lay a solid foundation for future
learning and cultivate young minds in an effort to promote

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1 lifelong learning; and

2 WHEREAS, instructional personnel, support personnel and
3 ancillary personnel are responsible for the important task of
4 educating future generations of New Mexicans and contribute
5 daily to the growth and success of children, often in
6 challenging settings; and

7 WHEREAS, educational assistants, instructional assistants
8 and community support liaisons often serve high-needs student
9 populations, including special education students and students
10 with exceptional behavioral and social needs, and often assist
11 teachers with the youngest students in schools; and

12 WHEREAS, facilities personnel, transportation personnel,
13 secretaries and cafeteria workers take pride in the rewarding
14 role they play within New Mexico's education system at all
15 levels and work hard to serve all students; and

16 WHEREAS, New Mexico's public higher education institutions
17 continue to build upon the educational foundation that students
18 received in high school and provide students with essential
19 skills and knowledge that enhance personal growth, economic
20 opportunity and civic engagement; and

21 WHEREAS, faculty at New Mexico's public colleges and
22 universities conduct groundbreaking research that has led to
23 important contributions to the economic growth and social
24 welfare of the state; and

25 WHEREAS, New Mexico's public educators are, as a whole,

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1 responsible for challenging, encouraging and preparing
2 generation after generation of New Mexico's children for future
3 success by promoting and creating a twenty-first century,
4 world-class education system in New Mexico;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
6 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 18,
7 2019 be declared "New Mexico Public Educator Appreciation Day"
8 in the house of representatives in order to acknowledge the
9 immeasurable contributions and hard work that public educators
10 provide on behalf of students, parents, communities and New
11 Mexico's public schools; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the governor, the secretary of public education,
14 the secretary of higher education and the secretary of
15 children, youth and families.