

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 12, 2022 "COLONIAS DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF  
3 REPRESENTATIVES AND REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND HER CABINET  
4 TO ASSIST LOCAL EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN NEW  
5 MEXICO BY ADDING RURAL COMMUNITIES AND COLONIAS TO THE  
6 STATE'S PRIORITY ACTION LIST OF PROGRAMS.

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8 WHEREAS, residents of rural and colonias communities  
9 statewide face harsh challenges on a daily basis, but they  
10 are proud people who are reluctant to ask for help; and

11 WHEREAS, individual counties continue to undertake  
12 independent and ambitious infrastructure improvement plans  
13 designed to enhance social and economic development  
14 opportunities for all residents of New Mexico; and

15 WHEREAS, by initiating a statewide improvement program  
16 for rural and colonias communities, the state could partner  
17 with the thirty-three counties to empower these small  
18 communities and dramatically improve the quality of life in  
19 them, while simultaneously creating new entrepreneurial zones  
20 that will complement existing projects in incorporated  
21 municipalities;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
23 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 12,  
24 2022 be recognized as "Colonias Day" in the house of  
25 representatives; and

1           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Michelle Lujan  
2 Grisham and her cabinet be requested to work with the board  
3 of directors of New Mexico counties to assist local efforts  
4 to improve the quality of life in the state and to add  
5 improvements for rural communities and colonias to the  
6 state's priority action list of programs for legislative  
7 funding; and

8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
9 transmitted to the governor and the board of directors of New  
10 Mexico counties.

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