

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 2, 2023 "GUADALUPE HIDALGO TREATY DAY" AT
3 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, RECOGNIZING THE TWENTY-SIXTH
4 ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF GUADALUPE HIDALGO TREATY DAY AND
5 COMMEMORATING THE ONE-HUNDRED-SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF
6 THE SIGNING OF THE TREATY OF GUADALUPE HIDALGO BETWEEN THE
7 UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO.

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9 WHEREAS, on February 2, 1848, the United States and the
10 Republic of Mexico signed the Treaty of Peace, Friendship,
11 Limits and Settlement, known as the Treaty of Guadalupe
12 Hidalgo, at the main altar of the old cathedral of Guadalupe
13 at the Villa Hidalgo to end the war between the two nations;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, the lands relinquished or ceded by Mexico,
16 totaling over seven hundred ninety thousand square miles, now
17 constitute all or parts of eight states in the American west,
18 including Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico,
19 Texas, Utah and Wyoming; and

20 WHEREAS, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo included
21 provisions for the protection of established property rights,
22 including community land grants, within the transferred
23 areas; and

24 WHEREAS, Spanish and Mexican community land grants and
25 Native American pueblo communities throughout New Mexico have

1 relied on the provisions of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo
2 to protect their current remaining common lands and as the
3 basis to pursue a just recovery of their traditional, former
4 common lands; and

5 WHEREAS, on February 2, 1998, community land grant heirs
6 and advocates from around the state came together at the
7 state capitol to celebrate the first-ever Guadalupe Hidalgo
8 treaty day; and

9 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 12-5-10 NMSA 1978, the
10 second of February is set apart each year and known as
11 "Guadalupe Hidalgo treaty day" in New Mexico; and

12 WHEREAS, February 2, 2023 marks one hundred seventy-five
13 years since the signing of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, over generations, New Mexico's land grant
16 communities have experienced phenomenal changes in
17 government, culture and economy, and their resilience is
18 demonstrated by their growing vitality as political
19 subdivisions of the state;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 2,
22 2023 be recognized as the twenty-sixth annual commemoration
23 of Guadalupe Hidalgo treaty day; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state and federal
25 legislative support for all Spanish and Mexican community land

1 grants and Native American pueblos should continue far into

2 the future. _____

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