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HOUSE MEMORIAL 2

**56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING JANUARY 25, 2024 "NEW MEXICO FOOD AND FARMS DAY" IN  
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY FOOD  
AND FARM INITIATIVES TOWARD ENDING HUNGER AND STRENGTHENING THE  
STATEWIDE FOOD SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, New Mexico food and farms day celebrates the  
efforts of individuals, communities, organizations and agencies  
in creating a thriving local food, farming and ranching economy  
while emphasizing that everyone in New Mexico should have  
access to fresh, local, healthy and nutritious food; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico food and farms day celebrates the  
following 2024 award recipients:

- A. the good food for New Mexico award, celebrating  
New Mexico farmers' markets: Aztec farmer's market, Pauline  
Pao and Kasey McCune;

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1           B. the sowing change award, for organizations  
2 engaged in creating sustainable food systems: project feed the  
3 hood, Mateo Carrasco and Zia Martinez;

4           C. the heart of the land award, for outstanding  
5 leadership in farming or ranching: Acoma ancestral lands  
6 conservation corps, Zada Miller and Dominique Lowden; and  
7 cultivating Bernalillo county grow the growers program, Mari  
8 Simbana, Bernalillo county open space, and Helga Garcia-Garza,  
9 agri-cultura cooperative network/la cosecha;

10          D. the growing the future award, for new or young  
11 farmers and ranchers: Chicoyole farm, Donne Gonzales, New  
12 Mexico acequia association los sembradores farmer training  
13 program;

14          E. the living land award, for outstanding  
15 leadership in land stewardship: dream New Mexico, San Antonio  
16 del Rio Embudo, Joseluis Ortiz y Muniz; and

17          F. the New Mexico grown golden chile award,  
18 honoring all schools, senior centers and early child care  
19 centers that purchase New Mexico grown and raised products from  
20 farmers and ranchers;

21           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
22 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 25,  
23 2024 be declared "New Mexico Food and Farms Day" in the house  
24 of representatives in celebration of community food and farm  
25 initiatives toward ending hunger and strengthening the

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1 statewide food system; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
3 transmitted to the board chair of farm to table and the  
4 governing committee chair of the New Mexico food and  
5 agriculture policy council.

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