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URGING THE RETURN TO TWELVE-MONTH STANDARD TIME FOR NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, "God called the light day and darkness night"; and

WHEREAS, government's history of interfering in the affairs of people causes a never-ending stream of petty, annoying, objectionable adjustments to (foolish) limitations and (inane) interferences with the natural order of life; and

WHEREAS, the history of daylight-saving time is a textbook example both of meddling by government in what is none of its business and the pointless chicanery of fooling most of the people most of the time; and

WHEREAS, there is no daylight saved by daylight-saving time; and

WHEREAS, if people in the rest of the country, save Arizona and a corner of Indiana, wish to continue to rush into more

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1 unnatural efforts to divorce themselves from natural cycles
2 which have functioned perfectly for millennia, then let those
3 persons continue to puzzle whether to spring forward or fall
4 back; and

5 WHEREAS, the solar cycle provides daily vitality to all
6 plants and animals, even humans out of sync with the sun; and

7 WHEREAS, we New Mexicans, in awe of and benefiting from our
8 attachments to the oldest civilizations in this country, have
9 demonstrated since history was first recorded here a clear
10 preference for life on a natural scale and at a natural pace,
11 rather than one driven by technology and modern innovation;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
13 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the great state
14 of New Mexico acknowledge a willingness to live in God's time
15 and take appropriate action to forsake so-called daylight-saving
16 time and return to standard solar time for the full twelve
17 months of the year; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no New Mexican who so chooses
19 be obliged to live in solar cycle time, being forever free to
20 miss the song of the early bird or ignore our miraculous sunsets
21 in favor of sitcoms.