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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 8

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 5, 2014 AS "NDI NEW MEXICO DAY" IN THE
LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico (NDI)
is celebrating its twentieth year of providing the children of
New Mexico with programs that help them develop core skills,
self-perceptions and critical thinking that set the stage for
effective learning in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico serves
more than seven thousand five hundred children each year; and

WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico has
served seventy thousand children across the state since its
inception; and

WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico is a
statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the

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1 lives of children by teaching the national dance institute of
2 New Mexico's "core four": work hard; do your best; never give
3 up; and be healthy; and

4 WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico is
5 founded in the knowledge that the arts have a unique power to
6 engage and motivate children; and

7 WHEREAS, the purpose of the national dance institute of
8 New Mexico's distinctive programs is to help children develop
9 discipline, a standard of excellence and a belief in themselves
10 that will carry over into all aspects of their lives; and

11 WHEREAS, independent research shows that the national
12 dance institute of New Mexico's award-winning programs
13 positively impact children's academic achievement, health,
14 quality of life and self-efficacy through consistent messaging,
15 skill building and by providing positive role models; and

16 WHEREAS, the Wallace foundation, a national leader in arts
17 organization programming and management, endorsed the national
18 dance institute of New Mexico as an "exemplary" program for the
19 development of youth in the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, the national dance institute of New Mexico is a
21 public-private partnership that collaborates with federal,
22 state and local government entities; public schools and school
23 districts; businesses; individuals; and foundations to promote
24 a platform for children's success and to develop educated,
25 productive and engaged citizens who will create successful

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1 families and communities;

2 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 5, 2014 be proclaimed "NDI
4 New Mexico Day" in the legislature; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the national dance institute of New Mexico
7 board.

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