

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 6, 2016 "FIRST SERVE-NEW MEXICO DAY" IN  
3 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, New Mexico's schoolchildren benefit from after-  
6 school programs that provide academic and athletic  
7 instruction; and

8 WHEREAS, since its founding in 2003, First Serve-New  
9 Mexico has been impacting the lives of students in grades  
10 three through twelve, using individualized mentoring,  
11 specialized academic tutoring, a life-skills curriculum and  
12 rigorous tennis instruction in a team format; and

13 WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico currently operates its  
14 after-school program in six Santa Fe schools with  
15 approximately one hundred participating and dedicated  
16 students; and

17 WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico provides year-round  
18 instruction at no charge to participants; and

19 WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico's after-school program  
20 is a structured, four-day-a-week, year-round program staffed  
21 by highly qualified professionals in the fields of education  
22 and tennis instruction; and

23 WHEREAS, while some students participate for only one  
24 academic year, many students return for a second or third  
25 year; and

1           WHEREAS, during the summer months the students of First  
2 Serve-New Mexico participate in many statewide tournaments;  
3 and

4           WHEREAS, the consistency of the program, the creation of  
5 positive peer groups and the accountability to the progress  
6 of each student all result in measurable success toward high  
7 school graduation, college admission and the knowledge of  
8 which career to pursue;

9           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
10 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 6,  
11 2016 be declared "First Serve-New Mexico Day" in the house of  
12 representatives; and

13           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that recognition be extended to  
14 the tutors and instructors of First Serve-New Mexico for  
15 their valuable service; and

16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
17 transmitted to the board chair of First Serve-New Mexico.