A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 18, 2019 "NEW MEXICO ATHLETIC TRAINER DAY" IN THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care services for athletes and those engaged in regular physical activity; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers are able to recommend specific tasks and activities based on the knowledge and skills they acquired through their nationally regulated educational processes; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers are educated and skilled in the prevention, recognition, evaluation and aggressive treatment of athletic injuries; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers provide rehabilitative services, education and health care guidance for their clients; and

WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association represents and supports forty-four thousand members of the athletic training profession, including one hundred seventy-two athletic trainers in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers are employed in a variety of settings, including professional sports organizations, colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, performing arts centers, corporate and industrial

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| settings and all branches of the United States military; and |
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| WHEREAS, leading organizations concerned with athletic |
| training and health care have united in a common commitment |
| to raise public awareness of the importance of the profession |
| of athletic training and the role of athletic trainers in the |
| provision of quality health care services; and |
| WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association |
| sponsors national athletic training month every March; and |
| WHEREAS, it is the desire of the senate to promote |
| improved health care for athletes and all of those who engage |
| in physical activity, including those participating in the |
| annual legislative basketball game; |
| NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE |
| STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 18, 2019 be declared |
| "New Mexico Athletic Trainer Day" in the senate; and |
| BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be |
| transmitted to the New Mexico athletic trainers' association |

and the national athletic trainers' association. $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ SM 60

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