1	HOUSE MEMORIAL 16
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10	A MEMORIAL
11	DECLARING FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2002 TO BE "LITERACY DAY" IN THE
12	NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
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14	WHEREAS, the New Mexico coalition for literacy has been
15	in existence for fifteen years; and
16	WHEREAS, during those years, as many as forty-five
17	thousand adult students have been served by volunteer literacy
18	programs in the state; and
19	WHEREAS, eighteen thousand volunteer tutors have received
20	training from the New Mexico coalition for literacy during
21	that fifteen-year period; and
22	WHEREAS, those volunteers have provided over one million
23	two hundred thousand hours of instruction for the students
24	they have served; and
25	WHEREAS, a literate population in New Mexico will:
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1 A. attract better jobs to the state; 2 **B**. provide a more versatile and trained work force for employers in New Mexico, which will increase the average 3 pay and help develop more stimulating and satisfying jobs for 4 New Mexi cans: 5 C. enable more New Mexicans to enter higher 6 7 education programs; 8 D. permit parents to become more involved in their children's education: 9 10 create a more informed populace, which will Ε. address the issues that face residents of the state and may 11 12 lead to a greater number of voters in the state; become more informed and better consumers: 13 F. 14 G. become more active in their communities; and H. gain self-confidence and self-esteem; 15 16 NOW. THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF 17 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Friday, 18 February 1, 2002, for all the reasons noted herein, be 19 declared "Literacy Day" in the New Mexico house of 20 representatives. 21 - 2 -22 23 24 25 . 141062. 1

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