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46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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A MEMORIAL

**DECLARING FEBRUARY 5, 2003 AS "STROKE AWARENESS DAY" IN THE
SENATE.**

**WHEREAS, stroke is the third leading cause of death in the
United States today, ranking behind only heart disease and
cancer, with nearly one hundred seventy-five thousand Americans
dying each year from stroke; and**

**WHEREAS, stroke is the leading cause of severe long-term
disability in the United States, and each year more than seven
hundred fifty thousand people suffer a new or recurrent stroke;
and**

**WHEREAS, stroke is a leading cause of death and disability
in New Mexico, killing two New Mexicans every day and disabling
over three thousand New Mexicans every year; and**

WHEREAS, adults with diabetes and Hispanic populations are
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1 at a higher risk in general for stroke; and

2 WHEREAS, currently available treatments may reduce the
3 number of deaths and disabilities caused by stroke; and

4 WHEREAS, Americans will pay approximately forty-nine
5 billion dollars (\$49,000,000,000) in the coming year for
6 stroke-related medical and disability costs that may be reduced
7 through improved response, diagnosis and treatment for stroke;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the American heart association, its division, the
10 American stroke association, and the Albuquerque stroke club
11 are working to raise the awareness of stroke's prevalence, risk
12 factors, warning signs and treatment;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
14 OF NEW MEXICO that Wednesday, February 5, 2003, be declared
15 "Stroke Awareness Day. "