1	HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 56
2	47th LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005
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10	A JOINT MEMORIAL
11	RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 18, 2005 AS "ESPANOLA VALLEY DAY" AT THE
12	NEW MEXICO LEGISLATURE.
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14	WHEREAS, the Espanola valley lies nestled in both Rio
15	Arriba and Santa Fe counties, is surrounded by the Pueblos of
16	Santa Clara and San Juan and has a vigorous tricultural
17	history; and
18	WHEREAS, 1998 marked the four hundredth anniversary of
19	Hispanic influence in the Espanola valley, commencing in 1598
20	with the first Spanish settlement in Nuevo Mexico and the
21	opening of the trade route known as El Camino Real, running
22	from Mexico to the Pueblo of San Juan; and
23	WHEREAS, the legislature honors and promotes cultural
24	diversity, including the strong Hispanic culture and traditions
25	that can be found throughout New Mexico; and
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WHEREAS, the city of Espanola and the counties of Rio Arriba and Santa Fe exemplify cultural diversity and deeprooted Hispanic traditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 18, 2005 be recognized as "Espanola Valley Day" at the New Mexico legislature, honoring the entire Espanola valley for its diversity of culture and long-standing Hispanic traditions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to Mayor Richard L. Lucero of the city of Espanola; Joe Duran, acting Espanola city manager; councilors Alice Lucero, Joseph Maestas, Rosario "Chayo" Garcia, Dennis Salazar, Carla Ann Martinez, Pedro Valdez, Anthony Vandervossen and J.R. Trujillo; and Commissioner Jack Sullivan of Santa Fe county.

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