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2 47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 DECLARING FEBRUARY 28, 2005 AS "SANTA FE FARMERS' MARKET DAY"  
12 AND "SANTA FE COUNTY DAY" AT THE LEGISLATURE.

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14 WHEREAS, since its humble beginning over thirty years ago  
15 in the parking lot of Santa Fe's St. Anne's church, the Santa  
16 Fe farmers' market has grown almost six hundred percent; and

17 WHEREAS, consumers at the Santa Fe farmers' market now  
18 spend about one million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars  
19 (\$1,750,000) a year buying directly from vendors; and

20 WHEREAS, at the peak of the 2003 summer season, it was  
21 estimated that eight thousand customers visited the market  
22 during busy Saturday mornings; and

23 WHEREAS, the Santa Fe farmers' market institute and the  
24 Santa Fe farmers' market work to build the economic future for  
25 New Mexico's farmers and ranchers; and

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1           WHEREAS, the Santa Fe farmers' market institute and Santa  
2 Fe farmers' market work to keep the state's land-based culture  
3 and traditions alive; and

4           WHEREAS, Santa Fe county is a historic and cultural gem  
5 that has received national attention as a seat of government,  
6 the home of four pueblos and the arts center for the state; and

7           WHEREAS, Santa Fe county was originally created by the  
8 republic of Mexico in 1844 and redesignated in 1852 by the  
9 territorial legislature; and

10          WHEREAS, Santa Fe county is home to the original seat of  
11 government in New Mexico and is the oldest government seat in  
12 the United States; and

13          WHEREAS, Santa Fe county is a nationally known art and  
14 music destination that is home to the museum of New Mexico,  
15 which is the state's oldest cultural institution, founded in  
16 1909; the palace of the governors, which houses the state  
17 history museum and is the oldest continually occupied public  
18 building in the United States; and the Santa Fe opera, which is  
19 known internationally for musical innovation and quality;

20          NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
21 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 28, 2005 be declared "Santa  
22 Fe Farmers' Market Day" and "Santa Fe County Day" at the  
23 legislature.