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

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DECLARING FEBRUARY 16, 2005 AS "YMCA DAY AT THE SENATE".

WHEREAS, for over nine decades, the New Mexico alliance of YMCAs has brought a special dimension to community life; and

WHEREAS, over eight thousand families benefit directly each year from the YMCA's extensive programming for all ages and interest groups, from toddler activities to teen programs to fitness and wellness opportunities for senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, over thirty-three thousand youth benefit each year from programs such as YMCA after-school care, childcare, YMCA basketball, YMCA volleyball, character counts, youth and government, yes corps, counselor-in-training, YMCA summer camp, teen programs, camp shaver and many other fine programs; and

WHEREAS, over one thousand individuals volunteer at the YMCA each year, making the YMCA one of the largest led and

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1 driven organizations in New Mexico; and

2 WHEREAS, the YMCA is governed by a local volunteer board
3 of directors who: give generously of their time, money and
4 effort in order that the state's residents may grow as
5 responsible members of their families and communities; develop
6 self-confidence and self-respect, as well as an awareness of
7 the rights and worth of every individual; appreciate that
8 physical and mental health are divine gifts that should be
9 maintained through physical fitness and spiritual growth; and
10 develop and use their capacities for leadership; and

11 WHEREAS, the YMCA's ability to foster these goals depends
12 wholly upon continued community support, partially through the
13 united way fund, but also through the YMCA's memberships and
14 program support, and through expansion, such as the new youth
15 and family gymnasium in Los Alamos and the renovation of two
16 YMCA branches, as well as a proposed new west side branch YMCA
17 in Albuquerque;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
19 OF NEW MEXICO that February 16, 2005 be declared "YMCA Day at
20 the Senate" in recognition of the important role that the YMCA
21 plays in providing community programs throughout central and
22 northern New Mexico.

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