HONORING, CONGRATULATING AND THANKING EDUARDO HOLGUIN FOR HIS GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin served the children of the Las Cruces public schools as a fifth grade teacher for almost three decades; and

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin served as vice president of the national education association of New Mexico and is completing his second and last three-year term as president of the national education association of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin is a native New Mexican and graduate of Las Cruces high school and New Mexico state university, with a master's degree in counseling and guidance; and

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin has served the public school employees of New Mexico as a representative on the national education association board of directors, a member of the educational testing service teacher program council, a member of the unit accreditation board for the national council for accreditation of teacher education, and as a New Mexico commissioner on the education commission of the states; and

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin has been a tireless advocate for children, public education and public education employees before the New Mexico legislature and in other venues; and

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WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin has been responsible for bringing many notable New Mexicans, including heralded newsman Ernie Mills, first lady Barbara Richardson, entertainer extraordinaire Al Hurricane, secretary of state Rebecca Vigil-Giron, weather prognosticator Steve Stucker, lieutenant governor Diane Denish and noted New Mexico author Rudolfo Anaya, onto the floor of the senate alongside the national education association of New Mexico read across America honorary chairperson; and

WHEREAS, Eduardo Holguin championed literacy and learning across New Mexico and the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the senate congratulate Eduardo Holguin for his years of service to New Mexico, its public schools, its children and its public school employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the senate offer its gratitude to Eduardo Holguin for his wise counsel on educational issues over the last six years as spokesperson for the national education association of New Mexico.

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