1	SENATE MEMORIAL 15
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10	A MEMORIAL
11	DECLARING JANUARY 29, 2008 AS "COWBOY DAY" AT THE SENATE AND
12	RECOGNIZING JULY 26, 2008 AS "NEW MEXICO DAY OF THE COWBOY".
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14	WHEREAS, cowboys and cowgirls are a fundamental part of
15	New Mexico's reputation as a leading ranching state; and
16	WHEREAS, representing a diversity that is uniquely
17	American, cowboys come from all walks of life, transcending age,
18	race, gender and generation, and their work ethic and code of
19	conduct have long infused our great state and nation with pride
20	and their values have set an example for many; and
21	WHEREAS, in the state's early years, cowboys worked
22	throughout the "Land of Enchantment", blazing trails as
23	explorers and guardians of a growing American frontier, and
24	their legacy lives on today as men and women literally walk in
25	the cowboys' footsteps, working and living upon the land; and
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WHEREAS, New Mexicans have long been recognized as leaders in the cowboy and ranching world, with heroes and champions filling halls of fame across the country, including the Cowboy Hall of Fame, the Cowgirl Hall of Fame and the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, the "National Day of the Cowboy" has been celebrated for the past three years and, again, this year, Americans in communities both far and near will join to celebrate the cowboys' day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 29, 2008 be declared "Cowboy Day" at the senate; and

BE IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that July 26, 2008 be recognized as "New Mexico Day of the Cowboy" and that all New Mexicans be encouraged to recognize cowboys, both past and present, for their numerous contributions to the state and for keeping the best of New Mexico alive for generations to come.

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