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48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING JANUARY 30, 2008 "LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, DAY" AT THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, Las Vegas, New Mexico, was established in 1835 on the Santa Fe trail after a group of settlers received a land grant from the Mexican government; and

WHEREAS, the railroad arrived in 1880, setting up a maintenance and provisioning depot east of the old town, and a "new town" was established; and

WHEREAS, Las Vegas was one of the largest cities in the southwest and it had its own opera house, a college, a Harvey House hotel and a Carnegie library; and

WHEREAS, Las Vegas was host to a reunion of Teddy Roosevelt's rough riders, held the earliest recorded rodeo and was a venue for many colorful western characters and events; .172058.1

and

WHEREAS, Las Vegas is a city rich in history and tradition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 30, 2008 be declared "Las Vegas, New Mexico, Day" at the senate.

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