

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 4, 2009 AS "BLUE STAR MOTHERS DAY" AT THE  
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, blue star mothers was founded as a veterans'  
6 services organization and was part of a movement to provide  
7 care packages to military members serving overseas and also to  
8 provide assistance to families encountering hardships as a  
9 result of their loved ones serving in war; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1960, congress chartered the blue star  
11 mothers of America as a veterans' services organization; and

12 WHEREAS, there are eight blue star mothers of America  
13 chapters in New Mexico; and

14 WHEREAS, the purpose of blue star mothers is to  
15 perpetuate the memory of all the men and women who have served  
16 this country as members of the armed forces, to be patriotic,  
17 to foster true democracy, to care for the unsupported mothers  
18 who gave their children to the service of the nation, to  
19 uphold the American institutions of freedom, justice and equal  
20 rights and to defend the United States from all enemies; and

21 WHEREAS, blue star mothers have children protecting  
22 freedom, liberty and justice during this time of war in  
23 Afghanistan, Iraq and around the world, and one of the most  
24 difficult challenges a mother can face is to know that her  
25 child's life is at risk; and

1           WHEREAS, blue star mothers provides support for the  
2 families of active duty service personnel, as well as  
3 promotes patriotism, assists veterans' organizations and is  
4 available to assist in homeland volunteer efforts to help our  
5 country remain strong;

6           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
7 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it express its appreciation to the  
8 mothers and other family members of military personnel; and

9           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 4, 2009 be  
10 recognized as "Blue Star Mothers Day" at the senate and that  
11 recognition be extended to all the blue star mothers chapters  
12 in New Mexico for their sacrifice, patriotism and service to  
13 military personnel, their families and America; and

14           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
15 transmitted to the presidents of the eight blue star mothers  
16 chapters in New Mexico.

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