

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 11, 2009 AS "SCHOOLS ON THE RISE DAY" AT
3 THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, New Mexico's education standards, assessments
6 and school accountability are now among the best in the
7 country as judged by Education Week's quality counts survey;
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9 WHEREAS, the quality counts 2009 survey indicates that
10 New Mexico's school reform policies are turning our
11 educational system around, as evidenced by steady progress
12 over the last six years; and

13 WHEREAS, New Mexico has become a national model in the
14 areas of early childhood education and college and career
15 readiness and for having highly qualified teachers in all
16 classrooms; and

17 WHEREAS, closing the achievement gap in New Mexico's
18 schools is a goal of all dedicated educators, policymakers
19 and residents of the state; and

20 WHEREAS, two hundred sixty-two of New Mexico's eight
21 hundred eleven public schools met or exceeded adequate yearly
22 progress this year; and

23 WHEREAS, through the hard work and dedication of faculty
24 and administrators and their commitment to the future of all
25 New Mexico's children, thirteen schools have been designated

1 as "Schools on the Rise" for achieving adequate yearly
2 progress for two consecutive years after undergoing
3 restructuring; and

4 WHEREAS, those schools are Reginald Chavez elementary
5 school, Ventana Ranch elementary school and Eubank elementary
6 school in Albuquerque public schools; Tierra Amarilla middle
7 school in Chama Valley independent schools; Jemez Valley
8 elementary school in Jemez Valley public schools; Mesilla
9 Park elementary school in Las Cruces public schools; Mountain
10 View elementary school in Moriarty-Edgewood schools; Peñasco
11 elementary school in Peñasco independent schools; Sierra
12 middle school, Pecos elementary school and Mountain View
13 middle school in Roswell independent schools; G.W. Stout
14 elementary school in Silver consolidated schools; and
15 Tucumcari middle school in Tucumcari public schools;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 11, 2009 be declared
18 "Schools on the Rise Day" at the senate to honor and
19 recognize those thirteen schools; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
21 transmitted to each of the thirteen "Schools on the Rise"._____