

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 12, 2009 TO BE "MCKINLEY COUNTY/GALLUP
3 DAY" AT THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup are the
6 northwestern gateway to New Mexico; and

7 WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup reflect
8 the rich cultural, recreational and economic diversity of New
9 Mexico; and

10 WHEREAS, McKinley county has the greatest number of
11 Native American residents of any New Mexico county and is the
12 home of the members of the Navajo Nation and the Pueblo of
13 Zuni who reside in New Mexico; and

14 WHEREAS, McKinley county is the home of Red Rock park
15 and of one of the largest gatherings of Native Americans, the
16 annual intertribal Indian ceremonial; and

17 WHEREAS, McKinley county incorporates the Continental
18 Divide, which separates the watersheds of the Pacific and
19 Atlantic oceans;

20 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is the home of the Gallup
21 national historic district; and

22 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is a center of commerce for
23 the members of the Navajo Nation and has been a corridor for
24 cross-country rail traffic since the nineteenth century;

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE

1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 12, 2009 be designated as
2 "McKinley County/Gallup Day" at the New Mexico senate to
3 honor and showcase the many facets of McKinley county and of
4 the city of Gallup; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the board of county commissioners of McKinley
7 county and to the mayor and city council of the city of
8 Gallup.

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