

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 51

2 **49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 CONGRATULATING SENATOR MARY JANE M. GARCIA AS THE HONORARY  
12 CHAIRWOMAN OF THE NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION-NEW MEXICO  
13 READ ACROSS AMERICA CAMPAIGN FOR 2008-2009; DECLARING MARCH 2,  
14 2009 AS "READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY" IN THE LEGISLATURE.

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16 WHEREAS, the New Mexico legislature stands firmly  
17 committed to promoting reading as the catalyst for students'  
18 future academic success, their preparation for America's jobs  
19 of the future and their ability to compete in the global  
20 economy; and

21 WHEREAS, the legislature has provided significant  
22 leadership in the area of community involvement in the  
23 education of youth, grounded in the principle that educational  
24 investment is the key to the state's well-being and long-term  
25 quality of life; and

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1           WHEREAS, "read across America" is a national celebration  
2 of Dr. Seuss's one-hundred-fifth birthday on March 2, 2009,  
3 sponsored by the national education association, promoting  
4 reading and adult involvement in the education of the nation's  
5 students; and

6           WHEREAS, Senator Mary Jane M. Garcia has always supported  
7 efforts to enhance reading and public education in New Mexico;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, Senator Garcia has been selected as the national  
10 education association-New Mexico's read across America honorary  
11 chairwoman for 2008-2009;

12           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
13 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislature call on the residents  
14 of New Mexico to ensure that every child is in a safe place  
15 reading together with a caring adult on March 2, 2009; and

16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that March 2, 2009 be declared as  
17 "Read Across America Day in the New Mexico Legislature"; and

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature  
19 enthusiastically endorse "read across America" and recommit the  
20 state to engage in programs and activities to make America's  
21 children the best readers in the world; and

22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that congratulations be extended by  
23 the legislature to Senator Mary Jane M. Garcia as the honorary  
24 chairwoman for the national education association-New Mexico  
25 read across America campaign for 2008-2009.

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