

A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 10, 2010 AS "SCHOOLS ON THE RISE DAY" AT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, New Mexico's education standards, assessments and school accountability are now among the best in the country as judged by *Education Week's* quality counts survey; and

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

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

WHEREAS, two hundred sixty of New Mexico's eight hundred twenty public schools met or exceeded adequate yearly progress this year; and

WHEREAS, through the hard work and dedication of faculty and administrators and their commitment to the future of all New Mexico's children, fourteen schools have been designated as "schools on the rise" for achieving adequate yearly progress for two consecutive years after undergoing restructuring; and

WHEREAS, those schools are Sierra Vista alternative high

school in Albuquerque public schools; Dulce high school in Dulce independent schools; Rocinante high school in Farmington municipal schools; Tohatchi elementary school in Gallup-McKinley county schools; Loving high school in Loving municipal schools; Ben Alexander, Jefferson, Llano and Lea elementary schools in Lovington municipal schools; Mora high school in Mora independent schools; Edgewood elementary school in Moriarty-Edgewood schools; Mountainair junior high school in Mountainair public schools; Roswell high school in Roswell independent schools; and Career Academy in Santa Fe public schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 10, 2010 be declared "Schools on the Rise Day" at the house of representatives to honor and recognize those fourteen schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to each of the fourteen "schools on the rise".