

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE NEW MEXICO ALLIANCE OF
3 YMCAS AND DECLARING FEBRUARY 5, 2010 AS "SUPPORT THE ALLIANCE
4 OF YMCAS DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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6 WHEREAS, for more than nine decades, the New Mexico
7 alliance of YMCAs has brought a special dimension to our
8 community; and

9 WHEREAS, more than eight thousand families benefit
10 directly from the YMCA's extensive programing for all ages and
11 interest groups, including toddler activities, teen programs
12 and fitness and wellness programs for senior citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, more than thirty-eight thousand youth benefit
14 each year from programs such as YMCA after-school care,
15 childcare, basketball, volleyball, character counts, youth and
16 government, yes corps, counselor-in-training and many other
17 programs; and

18 WHEREAS, more than one thousand individuals volunteer at
19 the "Y" each year, making the New Mexico YMCA organization one
20 of the largest volunteer-led and -driven organizations in New
21 Mexico; and

22 WHEREAS, the YMCA is governed by a local volunteer board
23 of directors, who give generously of their time, money and
24 effort so that our citizens may grow as responsible members of
25 their families and communities; develop self-confidence and

1 self-respect, as well as an awareness of the rights and worth
2 of every individual; appreciate that physical and mental
3 health are gifts that should be maintained through physical
4 fitness and spiritual growth; and develop and use their
5 capacities for leadership; and

6 WHEREAS, the YMCA's ability to foster these goals
7 depends wholly upon continued community support through
8 united way, memberships and program support and through
9 expansion, such as the new youth and family gymnasium in Los
10 Alamos, the teen center in Espanola, the remodeling of two
11 YMCA branches and the proposed new branches in Albuquerque
12 and Rio Rancho;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico alliance of YMCAs be
15 recognized for its contributions to the citizens of New
16 Mexico and that February 5, 2010 be declared "Support the
17 Alliance of YMCAs Day" in the senate.

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