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SENATE MEMORIAL 8

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2010

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A MEMORIAL

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

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

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

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

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1 programs; and

2 WHEREAS, more than one thousand individuals volunteer at
3 the "Y" each year, making the New Mexico YMCA organization one
4 of the largest volunteer-led and -driven organizations in New
5 Mexico; and

6 WHEREAS, the YMCA is governed by a local volunteer board
7 of directors, who give generously of their time, money and
8 effort so that our citizens may grow as responsible members of
9 their families and communities; develop self-confidence and
10 self-respect, as well as an awareness of the rights and worth
11 of every individual; appreciate that physical and mental health
12 are gifts that should be maintained through physical fitness
13 and spiritual growth; and develop and use their capacities for
14 leadership; and

15 WHEREAS, the YMCA's ability to foster these goals depends
16 wholly upon continued community support through united way,
17 memberships and program support and through expansion, such as
18 the new youth and family gymnasium in Los Alamos, the teen
19 center in Espanola, the remodeling of two YMCA branches and the
20 proposed new branches in Albuquerque and Rio Rancho;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY SENATE OF THE STATE OF
22 NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico alliance of YMCAs be recognized
23 for its contributions to the citizens of New Mexico and that
24 February 5, 2010 be declared "Support the Alliance of YMCAs
25 Day" in the senate.

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