

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 30, 2014 AS "USS ALBUQUERQUE DAY" IN THE  
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, the USS *Albuquerque* (SSN 706) is the nineteenth  
6 attack submarine in the Los Angeles class of submarines and  
7 the second ship in the United States navy to be named for  
8 Albuquerque, New Mexico; and

9 WHEREAS, the contract to build the USS *Albuquerque* was  
10 awarded in October 1993; and

11 WHEREAS, the USS *Albuquerque's* launch on March 13, 1982  
12 was sponsored by Mrs. Nancy L. Domenici, and the ship was  
13 commissioned on May 21, 1983 with Captain Richard H. Hartman  
14 in command; and

15 WHEREAS, at the ship's commissioning, the mayor of the  
16 city of Albuquerque presented a set of keys for a new Rolls  
17 Royce to the commanding officer, to be awarded to the first  
18 skipper to pilot the submarine up the Rio Grande to  
19 Albuquerque for a port visit; and

20 WHEREAS, since commissioning, the USS *Albuquerque* has  
21 completed several deployments in both the Atlantic Ocean and  
22 Mediterranean sea and has been awarded two meritorious unit  
23 commendations; and

24 WHEREAS, commanding officer of the USS *Albuquerque*,  
25 Captain Trent Hesslink, a native of Greeley, Colorado, will

1 be visiting New Mexico on January 29 and 30, 2014; and

2 WHEREAS, three sailors will be accompanying Captain  
3 Hesslink to New Mexico: Chief Fire Control Technician Ramon  
4 Escalante from New Mexico; Lieutenant, Junior Grade Mike  
5 Guibas; and Electronics Technician Third Class Greg O'Neill;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, the USS *Albuquerque*'s motto is "silent  
8 sentinel"; and

9 WHEREAS, the USS *Albuquerque* is homeported at naval base  
10 Point Loma, in San Diego, California, and is assigned to  
11 submarine squadron eleven, which consists of six  
12 Los Angeles-class nuclear-powered submarines, two torpedo  
13 retrievers and a floating dry-dock;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
15 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 30, 2014 be declared "USS  
16 *Albuquerque* Day" in the senate; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
18 transmitted to Captain Trent Hesslink. \_\_\_\_\_