

A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE SPANISH COLONIAL RESEARCH CENTER FOR PROMOTING  
NEW MEXICO AND THE STATE'S PROUD HISPANIC HERITAGE.

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center, a partnership between the university of New Mexico and the national park service, has, since 1985, worked to firmly establish New Mexico's Hispanic heritage as a part of the national history of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center has worked to commemorate the four-hundredth anniversary of the founding of Santa Fe, the four-hundredth anniversary of the founding of New Mexico and the three-hundredth anniversary of the founding of Albuquerque; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center also was instrumental in the congressional designation of the Camino Real De Tierra Adentro national historic trail and the Old Spanish Trail national historic trail; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center has published numerous studies promoting the history and heritage of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center co-authored a textbook in 2013 titled *New Mexico: A History*, which covers the period from prehistoric times to 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center has

translated into Spanish many brochures, exhibit labels, video scripts and important studies that assist visitors to New Mexico state parks, monuments and museums, the camino real heritage center, national parks and other entities; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center has trained more than three hundred local and international graduate students at the university of New Mexico to read archaic Spanish scripts and to do research in Spanish and Mexican archives; and

WHEREAS, the Spanish colonial research center published the *Colonial Latin American Historical Review*, a scholarly journal with worldwide distribution, which features the colonial Hispanic heritage in New Mexico and the Americas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the staff of the Spanish colonial research center be recognized for its outstanding work in promoting New Mexico and the state's proud Hispanic heritage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to the Spanish colonial research center.