

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 6

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 PROCLAIMING JANUARY 22, 2015 AS "ENLACE NEW MEXICO DAY" IN THE
12 LEGISLATURE.

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14 WHEREAS, New Mexico is committed to providing access to
15 quality education for all students, from pre-kindergarten
16 through graduate and doctoral studies; and

17 WHEREAS, New Mexico has a rich multicultural heritage that
18 is rooted in its unique history, geography and relations among
19 its people of different identities, varying languages and
20 diverse narratives; and

21 WHEREAS, over the past fifteen years, the organization
22 engaging Latin communities for education, also known as ENLACE
23 New Mexico, has established many great community partnerships,
24 including partnerships with institutions that prepare students
25 for careers in law, medicine and other professions; and

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1 WHEREAS, ENLACE New Mexico believes in inclusivity and
2 believes that a multicultural- and multilingual-focused
3 educational initiative will create a world-class educational
4 system for all students; and

5 WHEREAS, the work of ENLACE New Mexico recognizes,
6 validates and embraces the core cultural values of its
7 stakeholders, namely the strength of *familia*, the bonds of
8 *comunidad* and the mutuality of *respeto*; and

9 WHEREAS, grassroots change is needed in New Mexico with
10 students, parents and communities defining the program and
11 policy issues necessary to effect systemic change; and

12 WHEREAS, elected officials throughout the state have
13 united in a bipartisan effort to support the continuation and
14 expansion of the ENLACE New Mexico mission; and

15 WHEREAS, the legislature has shown its commitment to
16 education by demonstrating its support for programs such as
17 ENLACE New Mexico;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that recognition be extended to ENLACE New
20 Mexico for increasing opportunities for academic achievement,
21 school completion and success in higher education for all
22 students in New Mexico; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that January 22, 2015 be proclaimed
24 "ENLACE New Mexico Day" in the legislature; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be

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1 transmitted to the executive director of ENLACE New Mexico.

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