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

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COMMEMORATING FEBRUARY 25, 2015 AS "I HEART CAREGIVERS DAY" IN  
THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, the number of residents of New Mexico who are  
eighty-five years of age or older and most likely to need  
caregiving assistance is projected to reach over seventy-five  
thousand in 2030; and

WHEREAS, most older adults and individuals with chronic  
diseases or physical challenges would not be able to remain at  
home without the help of unpaid family caregivers; and

WHEREAS, each year, an estimated four hundred nineteen  
thousand adults in the state provide unpaid family caregiving,  
which equates to an estimated two hundred seventy-four million  
hours a year and an estimated value of more than three billion  
dollars (\$3,000,000,000); and

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