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HOUSE MEMORIAL 77

52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2016

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 6, 2016 "FIRST SERVE-NEW MEXICO DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, New Mexico's schoolchildren benefit from after-school programs that provide academic and athletic instruction; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 2003, First Serve-New Mexico has been impacting the lives of students in grades three through twelve, using individualized mentoring, specialized academic tutoring, a life-skills curriculum and rigorous tennis instruction in a team format; and

WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico currently operates its after-school program in six Santa Fe schools with approximately one hundred participating and dedicated students; and

WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico provides year-round

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1 instruction at no charge to participants; and

2 WHEREAS, First Serve-New Mexico's after-school program is
3 a structured, four-day-a-week, year-round program staffed by
4 highly qualified professionals in the fields of education and
5 tennis instruction; and

6 WHEREAS, while some students participate for only one
7 academic year, many students return for a second or third year;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, during the summer months the students of First
10 Serve-New Mexico participate in many statewide tournaments; and

11 WHEREAS, the consistency of the program, the creation of
12 positive peer groups and the accountability to the progress of
13 each student all result in measurable success toward high
14 school graduation, college admission and the knowledge of which
15 career to pursue;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
17 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 6,
18 2016 be declared "First Serve-New Mexico Day" in the house of
19 representatives; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that recognition be extended to the
21 tutors and instructors of First Serve-New Mexico for their
22 valuable service; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
24 transmitted to the board chair of First Serve-New Mexico.