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HOUSE MEMORIAL 36

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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A MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 9, 2017 "MCKINLEY COUNTY/GALLUP DAY" IN
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup are the
northwestern gateway to New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, McKinley county and the city of Gallup reflect
the rich cultural, recreational and economic diversity of New
Mexico; and

WHEREAS, McKinley county has the greatest number of Native
American residents of any New Mexico county, is the home of
members of the Navajo Nation and the Pueblo of Zuni and the
site of one of the largest annual gatherings of Native
Americans, the intertribal Indian ceremonial; and

WHEREAS, this year, Gallup will host the ninety-sixth
annual intertribal Indian ceremonial; and

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1 WHEREAS, McKinley county incorporates the continental
2 divide, which separates the watersheds of the Pacific and
3 Atlantic oceans; and

4 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup has a historic downtown and is
5 recognized as both a New Mexico mainstreet and an arts and
6 cultural district; and

7 WHEREAS, McKinley county boasts world-renowned adventure
8 venues and trails, including the Zuni mountain trail system,
9 the jewel of the southwest; and

10 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is known as the adventure
11 capital of New Mexico and is recognized as the most patriotic
12 small town in America; and

13 WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is a center of commerce and,
14 since the nineteenth century, has been recognized by the
15 Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway as a heritage community
16 for its importance along their transcontinental rail line;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
18 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 9,
19 2017 be designated "McKinley County/Gallup Day" in the house of
20 representatives to honor and showcase the many facets of
21 McKinley county and the city of Gallup; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
23 transmitted to the board of county commissioners of McKinley
24 county and to the mayor and city council of the city of Gallup.