1	A MEMORIAL	
2	DECLARING FEBRUARY 6, 2018 "END HUNGER IN NEW MEXICO DAY" IN	
3	THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.	
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5	WHEREAS, nationwide, New Mexico has one of the highest	
6	rates of overall food insecurity of all residents, including	
7	children, veterans, the homeless and seniors; and	
8	WHEREAS, annual feeding America statistics rank New	
9	Mexico as one of the most food-insecure states for children	
10	in the nation; and	
11	WHEREAS, nearly seventy thousand New Mexicans seek food	
12	assistance each week; and	
13	WHEREAS, eighty-nine percent of hungry households have	
14	an annual income of less than twenty thousand dollars	
15	(\$20,000); and	
16	WHEREAS, sixty-one percent of households choose between	
17	paying for utilities or buying food; and	
18	WHEREAS, seventy-five percent of households report	
19	purchasing inexpensive, unhealthy food as the most common way	
20	to have at least some food at home to eat; and	
21	WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to address New Mexico's	
22	food insecurity and to eliminate hunger in New Mexico; and	
23	WHEREAS, nonperishable food items will be collected on	
24	February 6, 2018 at the state capitol to benefit the food	
25	depot;	H H
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1	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF	
2	REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 6,	
3	2018 be declared "End Hunger in New Mexico Day" in the house	
4	of representatives; and	
5	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be	
6	transmitted to the secretary of human services and the	
7	executive director of the food depot	HM 60
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