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SENATE MEMORIAL 85

**54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 19, 2019 "BERNALILLO COUNTY DAY" IN THE  
SENATE.

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is rich in history and culture  
and is located in central New Mexico, stretching from the east  
mountain area of the Sandia mountains to the volcano cliffs on  
the west mesa; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county was founded in 1852 as an  
agricultural community based on eight original land grants; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county's official seal depicts eight  
sheep representing the original land grants; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county designated BernCo Bernie, the  
sheep, as the official spokes-sheep for quality of life  
outreach initiatives in the county; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county consists of one thousand one

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1 hundred sixty-six square miles and is the most populous county  
2 in New Mexico with more than six hundred seventy-six thousand  
3 residents; and

4 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county government is an effective  
5 steward of county resources and a partner in building a high  
6 quality of life for county residents, communities and  
7 businesses; and

8 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county holds government accountability  
9 in high esteem and is transparent and a good steward of  
10 taxpayer dollars; and

11 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county offers public infrastructure,  
12 support systems and services to meet community needs; and

13 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county believes in a community that is  
14 physically healthy and active; and

15 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county offers numerous services,  
16 outstanding parks, recreation and open space facilities, and is  
17 the steward of the cultural assets within its boundaries; and

18 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is a driver of economic  
19 development, land use and development in central New Mexico;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, since 2012, the Bernalillo county commission has  
22 supported fifty-five projects that have created more than four  
23 thousand eight hundred forty-four new permanent jobs and five  
24 thousand four hundred twenty-seven construction jobs and has  
25 invested more than nine hundred forty-one million dollars

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1 (\$941,000,000) into the local economy; and

2 WHEREAS, the New Mexico legislature has invested more than  
3 twenty-two million dollars (\$22,000,000) for capital outlay  
4 projects in Bernalillo county since 2012;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
6 OF NEW MEXICO that February 19, 2019 be declared "Bernalillo  
7 County Day" in the senate; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
9 transmitted to the board of commissioners of Bernalillo county.