

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING MARCH 6, 2023 THE "NINETIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW  
3 DEAL DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, on March 4, 2023, the nation will celebrate the  
6 ninetieth anniversary of the inauguration of Franklin D.  
7 Roosevelt as the thirty-second president; and

8 WHEREAS, on the day following his inauguration,  
9 President Roosevelt announced the first of many measures that  
10 came to be called the new deal; and

11 WHEREAS, the new deal was a series of programs and  
12 projects instituted during the great depression by President  
13 Roosevelt that aimed to restore prosperity to Americans; and

14 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt and various cabinet  
15 secretaries immediately created a vast number of employment  
16 programs that would put thousands of destitute Americans back  
17 to work after having been severely challenged economically by  
18 the stock market crash of 1929 and during the following years  
19 of the great depression; and

20 WHEREAS, over the next eight years, the government  
21 instituted a series of experimental new deal projects and  
22 programs, such as the civilian conservation corps, the works  
23 progress administration, the Tennessee valley authority and  
24 the securities and exchange commission, among others; and

25 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt's new deal fundamentally

1 changed the United States government by expanding its size  
2 and scope, especially its role in the economy; and

3 WHEREAS, many of the accomplishments of these programs  
4 are still with the nation and New Mexico today, including:

5 A. improvements in banking systems nationwide;

6 B. the planting of thousands of trees across the  
7 nation and New Mexico to protect the remaining land that had  
8 not blown away during the vast depression-era dust storms;

9 C. the development of a new economic program  
10 nationwide, social security, which was promoted by Frances  
11 Perkins, President Roosevelt's secretary of labor and the  
12 nation's first woman to serve as a cabinet secretary;

13 D. the creation of ninety-seven new towns  
14 nationwide, including Bosque Farms;

15 E. structural improvements in New Mexico's  
16 national parks, as well as the creation of many state, county  
17 and city parks nationwide;

18 F. the creation of many New Mexico state, county  
19 and city buildings, universities, local schools and post  
20 offices, many showcasing beautiful murals and paintings that  
21 featured scenes typical of that portion of New Mexico;

22 G. new highways, roads, water and sewer lines,  
23 electrical systems, airports and hospitals, including the  
24 Carrie Tingley crippled children's hospital in Truth or  
25 Consequences, which is now the New Mexico state veterans'

1 home; and

2 H. the rural electrification administration, a  
3 program that brought electricity to rural areas; and

4 WHEREAS, this monumental period of American history  
5 deserves acknowledgment and to be honored for the numerous  
6 accomplishments that are still a major part of the lives of  
7 New Mexicans;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
9 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that March 6, 2023  
10 be declared the "Ninetieth Anniversary of the New Deal Day"  
11 in the house of representatives; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
13 transmitted to the New Mexico chapter of the national new deal  
14 preservation association. \_\_\_\_\_

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