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56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 7, 2023 "ASIAN AMERICAN, PACIFIC ISLANDER
AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, there are more than fifty-one thousand people in
New Mexico who identify as Asian American, Pacific Islander or
Native Hawaiian; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and Native
Hawaiians are among the fastest-growing and emerging
communities of color in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and Native
Hawaiians contribute greatly to the economy of New Mexico with
their labor, industry, businesses and purchasing power; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and Native
Hawaiians are contributing their unique culture, customs,
histories, languages and traditions to the richly diverse

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1 culture of New Mexico;

2 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 7,
4 2023 be declared "Asian American, Pacific Islander and Native
5 Hawaiian Day" in the house of representatives; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this day be a celebration of
7 all past, present and future New Mexicans who are Asian
8 American, Pacific Islander, Native Hawaiian, East Asian,
9 Southeast Asian and South Asian and all other groups who have
10 migrated from, have historical ties to or identify themselves
11 as from Asia; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the New Mexico Asian family center, the Asian
14 business collaborative and the center for civic policy.