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2	43rd LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998
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11	PRAISING TEACHERS AND SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.
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13	WHEREAS, the family is the most important influence in a
14	child's life; and
15	WHEREAS, teachers are essential partners with the family
16	in establishing the backbone of our society by serving in
17	schools to formalize the education process; and
18	WHEREAS, teachers daily affect the lives of children in
19	the learning process; and
20	WHEREAS, empowerment of individual teachers will have a
21	positive effect on public school policy; and
22	WHEREAS, there are sixteen thousand teachers in the
23	professional ranks in New Mexico; and
24	WHEREAS, schools are the center of educational and social
25	activity in most towns in New Mexico; and
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WHEREAS, parents, students, teachers, school personnel and extended family comprise the majority of the population of New Mexico;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it support public school superintendents in their efforts to create empowering opportunities for teachers to engage in the policy and legislation building process in their districts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the senate support the state superintendent's efforts to work with local superintendents and their boards to ensure the involvement of teachers in this process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that teacher training institutions build into their curricula a component to instill in prospective teachers the importance of their roles in policy development; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to the state department of public education for distribution to the state's public school teachers.

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