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## 1 SENATE BILL 739 2 44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999 3 INTRODUCED BY 4 Manny M. Aragon 5 6 7 8 9 10 AN ACT 11 RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS; ESTABLISHING AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN DAY ON THE SECOND 12 FRIDAY IN FEBRUARY; ENACTING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978. 13 14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: 15 Section 1. AFRICAN-AMERICAN DAY. -- The second Friday of February of each year 16 shall be set apart and be known as "African-American day", in recognition of the many 17 contributions and sacrifices African-Americans have made to ensure the rights of all 18 Americans as free and equal citizens and full participants in the governing of the state and 19 the nation. African-American day shall be observed by the people of New Mexico in efforts

the general character of the day so established.

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and undertakings that celebrate the diversity of the cultural heritage of New Mexicans, that

recognize that February is Black history month and that are expressions in harmony with

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