

A MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING JANUARY 25, 2008 TO BE "GALLUP-MCKINLEY DAY" AT  
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, the city of Gallup and McKinley county are the  
northwestern gateway to New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the city of Gallup and McKinley county reflect  
the rich cultural, recreational and economic diversity of New  
Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is the home of the Gallup  
national historic district; and

WHEREAS, the city of Gallup is a center of commerce for  
the members of the Navajo Nation and has been a corridor for  
cross-country rail traffic since the nineteenth century; and

WHEREAS, McKinley county has the greatest number of  
Native American residents of any New Mexico county and is the  
home of many of the members of the Navajo Nation and the  
Pueblo of Zuni who reside in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, McKinley county is the home of Red Rock state  
park and Red Rock museum and of one of the largest gatherings  
of Native Americans, the annual intertribal Indian ceremonial;  
and

WHEREAS, McKinley county incorporates the Continental  
Divide, which separates the watersheds of the Pacific and  
Atlantic oceans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 25, 2008 be designated as "Gallup-McKinley Day" at the New Mexico house of representatives to honor and showcase the many facets of the city of Gallup and McKinley county; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the mayor and city council of the city of Gallup and to the board of county commissioners of McKinley county.