

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 24, 2008 "SCHOOLS ON THE RISE DAY" AT THE
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, New Mexico's education standards, assessments
6 and school accountability are now among the best in the
7 country as judged by *Education Week's* quality counts survey;
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9 WHEREAS, the quality counts 2008 report indicates that
10 New Mexico's school reform policies are turning our
11 educational system around, as evidenced by steady progress
12 over the last four years; and

13 WHEREAS, New Mexico has become a national model in the
14 areas of early childhood education and college and career
15 readiness and for having highly qualified teachers in all
16 classrooms; and

17 WHEREAS, closing the achievement gap in New Mexico's
18 schools is a goal of all dedicated educators, policymakers
19 and residents of the state; and

20 WHEREAS, three hundred sixty-eight of New Mexico's eight
21 hundred eight public schools met or exceeded adequate yearly
22 progress this year; and

23 WHEREAS, through the hard work and dedication of faculty
24 and administrators and their commitment to the future of all
25 New Mexico's children, ten schools have been designated as

1 "schools on the rise" for achieving adequate yearly progress
2 for two consecutive years after undergoing restructuring; and

3 WHEREAS, those schools are Alamosa elementary and
4 Maryann Binford elementary in the Albuquerque public school
5 district; La Promesa elementary in the Belen consolidated
6 school district; Alcalde elementary in the Espanola public
7 school district; Apache elementary in the Farmington municipal
8 school district; Desert View elementary in the Gadsden
9 independent school district; Booker T. Washington elementary
10 in the Hobbs municipal school district; Sunset elementary and
11 University high school in the Roswell independent school
12 district; and Arrey elementary in the Truth or Consequences
13 municipal school district;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
15 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 24, 2008 be declared
16 "Schools on the Rise Day" at the senate to honor and recognize
17 those ten schools; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
19 transmitted to each of the ten "schools on the rise"._____

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