

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 14, 2012 AS "ALZHEIMER'S DAY" IN THE  
3 SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, an estimated thirty-eight thousand New Mexicans  
6 suffer from Alzheimer's disease; and

7 WHEREAS, eighty percent of home care for those with  
8 Alzheimer's is provided by family members; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2010, more than one hundred thousand  
10 caregivers provided more than one hundred fourteen million  
11 five hundred thousand hours of unpaid care to New Mexicans  
12 suffering from Alzheimer's disease; and

13 WHEREAS, the total value of this unpaid care is more  
14 than one billion three hundred million dollars  
15 (\$1,300,000,000); and

16 WHEREAS, the number of people worldwide with Alzheimer's  
17 and other types of dementia is rising substantially, with  
18 dementia prevalence expected to double every twenty years, to  
19 one hundred fifteen million four hundred thousand people  
20 worldwide by 2050; and

21 WHEREAS, the mission of the Alzheimer's association is  
22 to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through advancement of  
23 research, the provision and enhancement of care and support  
24 for all affected and reduction of the risk of dementia  
25 through the promotion of brain health; and

1           WHEREAS, the Alzheimer's association works with many  
2 partners, including support groups, training groups, advocacy  
3 campaigns, caregivers and families, to mobilize the public  
4 and advocate for those touched by Alzheimer's disease;

5           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
6 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 14, 2012 be declared  
7 "Alzheimer's Day" in the senate; and

8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
9 transmitted to the Alzheimer's association of New Mexico.           

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