

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO RETAIN THE ROTC
3 UNIT AT NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY.

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5 WHEREAS, New Mexico state university is New Mexico's
6 land grant university and a Hispanic-serving institution; and

7 WHEREAS, the air force reserve officer training corps,
8 ROTC, program at New Mexico state university is one of the
9 oldest programs on campus and will celebrate its sixty-fifth
10 anniversary during the 2011-2012 academic year; and

11 WHEREAS, the New Mexico state university air force ROTC
12 was in existence before the air force became an independent
13 service; and

14 WHEREAS, as the state's land grant university, New
15 Mexico state university has a rich history of preparing young
16 men and women to serve in the nation's military; and

17 WHEREAS, the presence of the air force ROTC program at
18 New Mexico state university is an important element in the
19 state's development of leaders for the nation's military; and

20 WHEREAS, the secretary of the air force intends to
21 disestablish and consolidate thirty-four programs, including
22 the reserve officer training corps program at New Mexico
23 state university;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
25 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the secretary of the air force be

1 requested to continue the air force ROTC program at New
2 Mexico state university; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the senate be requested to
4 call upon the New Mexico congressional delegation, the United
5 States department of defense and the United States air force
6 to retain the presence of the air force ROTC program at New
7 Mexico state university; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
9 transmitted to the members of the New Mexico congressional
10 delegation, the secretary of defense, the secretary of the air
11 force and the board of regents of New Mexico state
12 university.

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