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SENATE MEMORIAL 30

**50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012**

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A MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING JANUARY 26, 2012 TO BE "MCKINLEY COUNTY/GALLUP DAY"  
AT THE SENATE.

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

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

WHEREAS, McKinley county has the greatest number of Native  
American residents of any New Mexico county and is the home 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 park and  
of one of the largest gatherings of Native Americans, the  
annual intertribal Indian ceremonial; and

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1           WHEREAS, the city of Gallup has a long history in support  
2 of civil rights, opposing discrimination against its African-  
3 American residents before the civil rights movement and  
4 successfully opposing the internment of eight hundred Japanese-  
5 Americans during World War II; and

6           WHEREAS, McKinley county incorporates the continental  
7 divide, which separates the watersheds of the Pacific and  
8 Atlantic oceans; and

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

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

14           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
15 OF NEW MEXICO that January 26, 2012 be designated as "McKinley  
16 County/Gallup Day" at the senate to honor and showcase the many  
17 facets of McKinley county and of the city of Gallup; and

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