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52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2016

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PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 12, 2016 "NEW MEXICO TRiO PROGRAMS DAY" AT
THE NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, 2016 is the fifty-first anniversary of the
nationwide, federal TRiO student support programs; and

WHEREAS, all TRiO programs are vested in the notion that
committed students deserve an opportunity to obtain higher
education without regard to race, gender, national origin or
disability status or their family's economic resources or
educational background; and

WHEREAS, seven TRiO programs are funded by the United
States department of education, including talent search, upward
bound, upward bound math-science, veterans upward bound,
student support services, educational opportunity centers and
the Ronald E. McNair postbaccalaureate program; and

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1 WHEREAS, more than one thousand two hundred colleges,
2 universities and community agencies in the country host more
3 than two thousand eight hundred TRiO programs, serving
4 approximately seven hundred eighty-seven thousand young people
5 and adults; and

6 WHEREAS, TRiO services include academic tutoring; personal
7 counseling; mentoring; personal and financial counseling;
8 career counseling; workplace and college visits; assistance in
9 applying for college; special instruction in reading, writing,
10 study skills and mathematics; assistance in applying for
11 financial aid; assistance to reenter high school; and other
12 supports to promote college access, retention and graduation;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, TRiO programs have been providing educational
15 support and increased access to higher education for
16 disadvantaged students for more than fifty years; and

17 WHEREAS, since 1965, an estimated two million two hundred
18 thousand students have graduated from college and more than ten
19 million five hundred thousand Americans from poor and working-
20 class families have benefited from the services of TRiO pre-
21 college and college programs; and

22 WHEREAS, in New Mexico, there are thirty-four TRiO
23 programs that bring in over nine million dollars (\$9,000,000)
24 in federal funding and serve more than ten thousand students;
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