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HOUSE MEMORIAL 68

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

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO DECLARE APRIL 29, 2016 "DIA DE LOS NINOS" IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, many countries around the world, especially in the western hemisphere, dedicate a special day to children; and

WHEREAS, el dia de los ninos, or children's day, was established to encourage all countries to institute a day to promote a mutual exchange and understanding among children and to initiate action to benefit and promote the welfare of the world's children; and

WHEREAS, children represent the hopes and dreams of the residents of New Mexico and should be invested in and nurtured to preserve and enhance democracy, the American spirit and economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, el dia de los ninos is a cherished tradition in

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1 Latin America, where children are the center of the Latino  
2 family; and

3 WHEREAS, all children deserve quality health care, the  
4 best educational opportunities possible and a safer environment  
5 in which to grow; and

6 WHEREAS, the celebration of children in New Mexico would  
7 provide an opportunity for children to express their dreams and  
8 aspirations and find comfort and security in the support of  
9 their family members and communities; and

10 WHEREAS, in supporting their children, parents are asked  
11 to encourage their children to go to college and to contribute  
12 to the nation and to their communities; and

13 WHEREAS, the national Latino children's institute, serving  
14 as a voice for children, has worked with cities throughout the  
15 United States to designate a day to celebrate young Americans  
16 and bring together Hispanics and other communities in the  
17 United States to celebrate and uplift children;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
19 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the governor be  
20 requested to declare April 29, 2016 "Dia de Los Ninos" in New  
21 Mexico to celebrate New Mexico's children and to help them  
22 develop confidence to become great leaders and great members of  
23 society; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
25 transmitted to the governor and the chair of the national

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