## 1 A MEMORIAL 2 RECOGNIZING CIBOLA COUNTY AND DECLARING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 3 2017, "CIBOLA COUNTY DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. 4 WHEREAS, Cibola county is New Mexico's newest county, 5 6 having been created on June 19, 1981; and 7 WHEREAS, Cibola county consists of the westernmost four-8 fifths of the former Valencia county; and 9 WHEREAS, Grants, with a population of more than nine 10 thousand people, is the county seat of Cibola county; and 11 WHEREAS, Cibola county is over four thousand five hundred square miles in area and consists of one city, one 12 13 town and twenty-three localities; and 14 WHEREAS, Cibola county is home to the Pueblo of Acoma, 15 the Pueblo of Laguna and the Ramah chapter of the Navajo 16 Nation; and 17 WHEREAS, Cibola county features Bluewater Lake state 18 park and the nationally protected areas of the Cibola 19 national forest, El Malpais national monument and 20 conservation area and El Morro national monument; and 21 WHEREAS, Cibola county contains a larger stretch of 22 historic route 66 than any other county in New Mexico; and 23 WHEREAS, Cibola county is home to six places on the 24 national register of historic places; and 25 WHEREAS, the Cibola communities economic development

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foundation, incorporated, which, in 1994, grew out of the greater Grants industrial development foundation, incorporated, founded in 1982, promotes the economic and industrial base of Cibola county and its communities; and

WHEREAS, Antonio Esparza served as the first president of the Cibola communities economic development foundation, incorporated; and

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the Cibola communities economic development foundation, incorporated, consists of fifteen members who, together, represent Cibola county, the city of Grants, the village of Milan, Cibola foundation, incorporated, the Grants/Cibola county chamber of commerce, the Grants-Cibola county school district, New Mexico state university-Grants and private industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Cibola county
be recognized for its natural beauty and historic and
cultural importance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cibola communities economic development foundation, incorporated, be recognized for its efforts to foster in Cibola county a thriving economic and industrial environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wednesday, March 1, 2017, be declared "Cibola County Day" in the house of representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the Cibola communities economic development foundation, incorporated, the city of Grants, the village of Milan, Cibola county, Cibola foundation, incorporated, the Pueblo of Acoma, the Pueblo of Laguna and the Ramah chapter of the Navajo Nation.

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