

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 5, 2018 "NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY  
3 AGGIES FOOTBALL TEAM DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, the New Mexico state university Aggies football  
6 team finished the 2017 regular season with a record of seven  
7 wins and six losses; and

8 WHEREAS, the Aggies were invited to play in the Nova  
9 home loans Arizona bowl at Arizona stadium in Tucson,  
10 Arizona, on December 29, 2017, their first bowl game  
11 appearance since winning the 1960 sun bowl; and

12 WHEREAS, the Aggies ended a historic season in Arizona  
13 with a 26-20 overtime victory over Utah state in the bowl  
14 game; and

15 WHEREAS, the Aggies played in front of a record bowl  
16 attendance of thirty-nine thousand one hundred thirty-two  
17 attendees, with an overwhelming majority pulling for the  
18 Aggies from Las Cruces, New Mexico; and

19 WHEREAS, the Aggies in crimson were led by running back  
20 Larry Rose III, who finished the game with one hundred forty-  
21 two yards rushing and forty-eight yards receiving; and

22 WHEREAS, Larry Rose III scored on a twenty-one yard  
23 touchdown run to clinch the game in the first overtime  
24 possession and seal the school's first bowl game win in  
25 fifty-seven years and its third bowl game victory in the

1 school's history; and

2 WHEREAS, New Mexico state university head football coach  
3 Doug Martin said of the victory: "I'm just thrilled for these  
4 kids and this community. Just look at these fans who showed  
5 up here. This is an unbelievable day for us.";

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
7 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico  
8 state university Aggies football team be congratulated for its  
9 victory over Utah state at the 2017 Nova home loans Arizona  
10 bowl; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 5, 2018 be  
12 proclaimed "New Mexico State University Aggies Football Team  
13 Day" in the house of representatives; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
15 transmitted to the head coach of the New Mexico state  
16 university Aggies football team.

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