

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 1, 2018 "CENTRAL NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY  
3 COLLEGE DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has  
6 provided unprecedented access in New Mexico to affordable  
7 higher education for fifty-three years; and

8 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college serves the  
9 state's largest undergraduate student body by providing  
10 relevant, real-world career and technical training, as well  
11 as courses and degrees that transfer to four-year state  
12 universities; and

13 WHEREAS, in the 2014-2015 academic year, central  
14 New Mexico community college ranked number one in the country  
15 among more than one thousand one hundred community colleges  
16 for the number of associate degrees and certificates earned  
17 by both Hispanics and Native Americans, and central  
18 New Mexico community college ranked number two in the nation  
19 for the total number of associate degrees and certificates  
20 awarded; and

21 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college is  
22 considered New Mexico's leading community college and offers  
23 students more than one hundred programs of study that are  
24 designed to meet the needs of the state's economy; and

25 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college recently

1 became the first higher education institution in New Mexico  
2 to receive accreditation to offer a competency-based  
3 education program; and

4 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has made  
5 significant contributions to supporting entrepreneurship and  
6 early-stage businesses through the college's ingenuity  
7 programs such as the IGNITE community accelerator, the FUSE  
8 makerspace and many other innovative endeavors; and

9 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college  
10 ingenuity's nonprofit deep dive coding boot camps and the  
11 New Mexico information technology apprenticeship program are  
12 training the workforce for the economy of tomorrow; and

13 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college offers  
14 more online courses and distance learning sections than any  
15 other higher education institution in New Mexico; and

16 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has  
17 partnered with the university of New Mexico on a seamless  
18 pathway for students to start at central New Mexico community  
19 college and within five years graduate from the university of  
20 New Mexico with a master's degree in business administration;  
21 and

22 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college, central  
23 New Mexico community college ingenuity and the New Mexico  
24 rural electric cooperative association have partnered to  
25 bring the association's statewide lineworker electric power

1 training facility to the central New Mexico community  
2 college's Rio Rancho campus; and

3 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college is  
4 striving to attract students from across the world to its  
5 campuses and provide more study abroad opportunities for  
6 local students through the new global education initiative;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college remains  
9 dedicated to its mission of being a leader in education and  
10 workforce training; and

11 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college provides  
12 invaluable contributions to New Mexico;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 1, 2018 be declared  
15 "Central New Mexico Community College Day" in the senate to  
16 honor and showcase the tremendous impacts that central  
17 New Mexico community college has on the economic well-being  
18 of the state and its residents; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
20 transmitted to the president of central New Mexico community  
21 college.

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