

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 7, 2019 AS "CENTRAL NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY
3 COLLEGE DAY" IN THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has
6 provided New Mexicans with access to high-quality and
7 affordable higher education for fifty-four 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, central New Mexico community college has ranked
14 number one among more than one thousand one hundred two-year
15 colleges in the United States for the number of associate's
16 degrees and certificates earned by both Native Americans and
17 Hispanics; and central New Mexico community college has
18 ranked number two for overall associate's degrees and
19 certificates awarded; and

20 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college is
21 New Mexico's most comprehensive community college and offers
22 students various associate's degrees and certificates in
23 eighty-nine fields of study that are designed to meet the
24 needs of our state's economy; and

25 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college is the

1 number one producer of pre-licensure nursing graduates in
2 New Mexico; and

3 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college ranks
4 number nine in the nation for the number of early childhood
5 education and teacher education associate's degrees awarded;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, the city of Albuquerque and central New Mexico
8 community college are partnering in an effort to bring a film
9 production center of excellence to downtown Albuquerque to
10 serve the growing workforce needs of the state's film
11 industry; and

12 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college was named
13 "Innovator of the Year" by the national higher education
14 publication *Education Dive* for its innovative advancements
15 with blockchain technology, including becoming the first
16 community college in the country to provide students with
17 free, student-owned digital diplomas that students can share
18 securely and instantly with employers from their smartphones;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has
21 launched a central New Mexico law enforcement academy in
22 partnership with the Albuquerque police department designed
23 to help address the workforce demand for more police cadets
24 throughout central New Mexico while providing a collegiate,
25 high-quality education and training environment for cadets to

1 learn the law enforcement profession; and

2 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college supports
3 entrepreneurship and early-stage businesses through its
4 ingenuity programs such as the IGNITE Community Accelerator,
5 the FUSE Makerspace, Deep Dive Coding and many other
6 innovative endeavors; and

7 WHEREAS, the college and career high school on central
8 New Mexico community college's main campus, a partnership
9 between central New Mexico community college and Albuquerque
10 public schools, received an "A" rating in 2018 for the fifth
11 straight year from the New Mexico public education
12 department's *Annual School Grading Report*; and the high
13 school scored second highest in the state in 2018 among
14 traditional public high schools and third highest among all
15 high schools, including charter schools; and

16 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college has shown
17 impressive dedication to its vision of "Changing Lives,
18 Building Community"; and

19 WHEREAS, central New Mexico community college remains
20 dedicated to its mission of being a leader in education and
21 workforce training;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
23 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it congratulate central New Mexico
24 community college for its many achievements and many valuable
25 contributions to New Mexico; and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 7, 2019 be declared
2 "Central New Mexico Community College Day" in the senate to
3 honor and showcase the tremendous impacts the college makes
4 on the economic well-being of our state and its citizens; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the president of central New Mexico community
7 college.

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