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**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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DECLARING FEBRUARY 9, 2015 "UNM DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN RECOGNITION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO'S DEDICATION TO EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico was founded in 1889; and

WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico is the state's flagship research institution, serving thirty-six thousand seven hundred twenty-two students and employing twenty-two thousand fifty-seven New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico enrolls forty-eight percent of New Mexico college students in four-year institutions and has the highest four-year, five-year and six-year graduation rates in New Mexico; and

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1           WHEREAS, university of New Mexico students attain forty-  
2 four percent of the state's baccalaureate degrees and seventy-  
3 seven percent of the state's doctoral and first professional  
4 degrees; and

5           WHEREAS, there are more than one hundred fifty-nine  
6 thousand active alumni, with lobos in every state and nearly  
7 one hundred countries; and

8           WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico provides a research-  
9 driven education whereby faculty members engage in the  
10 investigation and scholarship that create new knowledge; and

11           WHEREAS, *Hispanic Business Magazine* has ranked the  
12 university of New Mexico in the top ten in the country for best  
13 business school, best engineering school, best law school and  
14 best medical school; and

15           WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico health sciences  
16 center is the largest academic health complex in the state,  
17 combining education, research, patient care and community  
18 outreach to provide New Mexicans with the highest level of  
19 health care; and

20           WHEREAS, since 2008, the university of New Mexico has  
21 received over two billion one hundred million dollars  
22 (\$2,100,000,000) in contracts and research awards; and

23           WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico filed for six  
24 hundred sixty-seven patents and was issued two hundred ninety-  
25 six patents; and

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