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SENATE MEMORIAL 54

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 6, 2017 "BERNALILLO COUNTY DAY" IN THE
SENATE.

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county, located in central New Mexico,
is rich in history and culture, stretching from the east
mountain area of the Sandia mountains to the volcanic cliffs on
the west mesa; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county was founded in 1852 as an
agricultural community based on eight original land grants; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county's official seal depicts eight
sheep representing the original land grants; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county designated the sheep "BernCo
Bernie" as the official spokes-sheep for quality-of-life
outreach initiatives in the county; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is one of the smaller counties

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1 in New Mexico, consisting of one thousand one hundred sixty
2 square miles and, at the same time, has the highest population
3 with more than six hundred seventy-six thousand residents; and

4 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county government is an effective
5 steward of county resources and a partner in creating a high
6 quality of life for county residents, communities and
7 businesses; and

8 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county holds government accountability
9 and transparency in high esteem and values good stewardship of
10 taxpayer dollars; and

11 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county offers a community where the
12 safety of its residents is a priority; and

13 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county offers public infrastructure,
14 support systems and services to meet community needs; and

15 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county strives for a community with
16 physically healthy and active citizens; and

17 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county offers numerous services,
18 outstanding parks, recreation and open-space facilities and is
19 the steward of the cultural assets within its boundaries; and

20 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is a driver of economic
21 development and land use and development in central New Mexico;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, since 2012, the Bernalillo county commission has
24 supported forty-three projects that have created more than
25 three thousand two hundred new jobs and more than six hundred

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1 sixty-four million dollars (\$664,000,000) in new private
2 investment activity; and

3 WHEREAS, the state legislature has invested more than
4 twenty-one million dollars (\$21,000,000) for infrastructure and
5 community building projects in Bernalillo county since 2012;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
7 OF NEW MEXICO that February 6, 2017 be declared "Bernalillo
8 County Day" in the senate; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bernalillo county be
10 recognized as a major economic and cultural crossroads in the
11 southwest; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the chair of the Bernalillo county commission.