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SENATE MEMORIAL 17

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 1, 2019 "GUADALUPE HIDALGO TREATY DAY" IN
THE SENATE, RECOGNIZING THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF
GUADALUPE HIDALGO TREATY DAY AND COMMEMORATING THE
ONE-HUNDRED-SEVENTY-FIRST-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF
THE TREATY OF GUADALUPE HIDALGO BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA AND THE ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS.

WHEREAS, on February 2, 1848, the United States of America
and the United Mexican States signed the peace treaty known as
the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo at the main altar of the old
cathedral of Guadalupe at the villa Hidalgo to end the war
between the two nations; and

WHEREAS, Article VI of the United States constitution
affirms that treaties are the supreme law of the land; and

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 5 of the constitution of New

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1 Mexico states that the rights guaranteed to the people of New
2 Mexico under the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo shall be preserved
3 inviolate; and

4 WHEREAS, Spanish, Mexican and pueblo community land
5 grants throughout New Mexico have continued to use the treaty
6 to protect existing and traditional common lands and pursue
7 justice in the recovery of the former common lands; and

8 WHEREAS, the New Mexico land grant forum initiated the
9 first-ever Guadalupe Hidalgo Treaty Day in the New Mexico
10 legislature to commemorate the one-hundred-fifty-year
11 anniversary of the signing of the treaty, and the New Mexico
12 land grant council now continues the tradition annually; and

13 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 12-5-10 NMSA 1978, February
14 2 of each year is set apart and known as "Guadalupe Hidalgo
15 treaty day" in New Mexico; and

16 WHEREAS, the senate, in session February 1, 2019, wishes
17 to extend congratulations and honor this historic event;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
19 OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize February 1, 2019 as the twenty-
20 first annual celebration of Guadalupe Hidalgo Treaty Day and
21 declare February 1, 2019 "Guadalupe Hidalgo Treaty Day" in the
22 senate; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state and federal legislative
24 support for all Spanish and Mexican community land grants and
25 Native American pueblos should continue far into the future;

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1 and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
3 transmitted to the board of trustees of all community land
4 grants registered with the secretary of state's official land
5 grant registry, the governors and tribal councils of all the
6 pueblos of New Mexico and the members of the New Mexico
7 congressional delegation.

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