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Introduced by

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AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AT  
3 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND AT HIGHER EDUCATION  
4 INSTITUTIONS.

5  
6 WHEREAS, the world has become increasingly  
7 interconnected through advances in technology and  
8 transportation, and a global perspective is critical in facing  
9 the challenges of the twenty-first century; and

10 WHEREAS, the economic development of New Mexico is  
11 increasingly linked to the global economy, and the goals of  
12 public education and economic development should be mutually  
13 reinforcing; and

14 WHEREAS, providing New Mexico's future leaders in  
15 business, education, government and the nonprofit sector with  
16 the broadest possible education will have a significant impact  
17 on the nation's security, foreign policy, economic  
18 competitiveness and economic revenue and the future leaders'  
19 capacity for tolerance; and

20 WHEREAS, international education includes expanding  
21 foreign language curricula and academic programs that address  
22 global issues and examine other cultures; and

23 WHEREAS, expanding the knowledge base and using the best  
24 research and technological breakthroughs in every field of  
25 study require international collaboration; and

1           WHEREAS, kindergarten through twelfth grade schools and  
2 universities and colleges should be encouraged to introduce  
3 New Mexico students to other cultures, foreign languages and  
4 global issues and to provide opportunities to study abroad,  
5 which will enrich students' perspectives and personal  
6 development; and

7           WHEREAS, qualified students and faculty from other  
8 countries should be encouraged to study in New Mexico to  
9 further the free exchange of ideas, to facilitate an  
10 appreciation of different cultures and to emphasize how  
11 international education builds a foundation for the future of  
12 our state and strengthens global understanding;

13           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
14 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize  
15 the importance of international education and encourage New  
16 Mexico's elementary and secondary schools and higher education  
17 institutions to meet the challenges of a global society; and

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
19 transmitted to the secretaries of education and higher  
20 education.

S/ BEN LUJAN  
BEN LUJAN, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

S/ STEPHEN R. ARIAS  
STEPHEN R. ARIAS, CHIEF CLERK  
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