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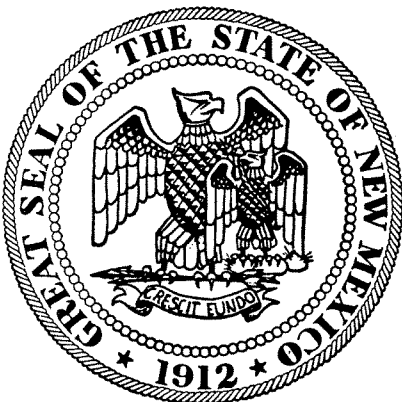
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SENATE MEMORIAL 27

Introduced by

SENATOR DAVID ULIBARRI



1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING JANUARY 31, 2008 AS "DWI AWARENESS DAY" AT THE NEW
3 MEXICO SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, in 2006 one hundred ninety-one persons lost
6 their lives as a result of alcohol-involved fatalities in New
7 Mexico; and

8 WHEREAS, there are a minimum of three thousand
9 alcohol-involved crashes in New Mexico each year, and many of
10 the people involved in these crashes are severely injured;
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12 WHEREAS, in 2007 alcohol was involved in more than
13 forty-one percent of all traffic fatalities in New Mexico;
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15 WHEREAS, each year approximately twenty thousand people
16 are arrested due to drunk driving in New Mexico; and

17 WHEREAS, the average blood alcohol level for persons
18 arrested in New Mexico for DWI was .19, over twice the legal
19 limit for blood alcohol level; and

20 WHEREAS, public education about the dangers of DWI has
21 been shown to be one effective tool in reducing the number of
22 traffic accidents involving drunk drivers;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
24 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that January 31, 2008 be proclaimed "DWI
25 Awareness Day" at the senate in recognition of the impact of

1 DWI incidents on the lives of New Mexicans and the importance
2 of informing New Mexicans of the cost in human suffering,
3 human lives and dollars of driving motor vehicles while under
4 the influence of alcohol or drugs. _____

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s/Diane D. Denish
Diane D. Denish, President
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Senate