A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING MARCH 10, 2005 AS "SCHOOLS ON THE RISE DAY" IN THE
NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, New Mexico's standards, assessments and school
accountability are now among the best in the country; and
WHEREAS, the quality counts 2005 report indicates that
teacher quality has improved for the second straight year,
jumping from thirtieth to seventeenth in the country,
demonstrating that educators in New Mexico are raising the bar
for all students; and
WHEREAS, closing the achievement gap in New Mexico's
schools should be a matter of concern for all residents of the
state; and
WHEREAS, sixty-eight percent of the state's public schools
are meeting or exceeding adequate yearly progress; and
WHEREAS, through hard work and dedication of faculty and
administrators, nineteen public schools have raised themselves
to this standard, including Barcelona, Emerson, Kit Carson,
Lowell and Whittier elementary schools in Albuquerque; Eva B.
Stokley elementary school in Shiprock; Eutimio "Tim" Salazar,
III elementary school in Espanola; Jefferson, Lincoln and
Thoreau elementary schools and Crownpoint high school in
Gallup; Edison elementary school in Hobbs; Lake Arthur middle
school in Lake Arthur; Booker T. Washington elementary school
in Las Cruces; Kaune elementary school in Santa Fe; Rita A.
Marquez elementary school in Santa Rosa; Forrester and Wilferth
elementary schools in Springer; and Don Cecillio Martinez
elementary school in West Las Vegas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that March 10, 2005
be designated as "Schools on the Rise Day" to honor and
showcase the nineteen schools identified; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
transmitted to the public education department; Barcelona,
Emerson, Kit Carson, Lowell and Whittier elementary schools in
Albuquerque; Eva B. Stokley elementary school in Shiprock;
Eutimio "Tim" Salazar, III elementary school in Espanola;
Jefferson, Lincoln and Thoreau elementary schools and
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PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
HONORS
EVA B. STOKLEY ELEMENTARY
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SCHOOL ON THE RISE!
MARCH 10, 2005

Dr. Veronica C. Garcia
Secretary of Education