

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT

RESOLUTION 2013-14

A RESOLUTION DECLARING NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH - APRIL 2013

**WHEREAS**, the nation's 3,068 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving more than 300 million Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, Roosevelt County takes pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

**WHEREAS**, county governments are often the entity providing both direct and indirect services to enhance the quality of life of residents, and are responsible for maintaining public safety and the efficient use of tax dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, 2,914 counties own and operate a detention facility or participate in a regional detention facility and admit nearly 12 million people annually, and

**WHEREAS**, the National Association of Counties President Chris Rodgers is encouraging counties to promote effective community corrections programs across the country through his 2012-13 "Smart Justice" presidential initiative, and

**WHEREAS**, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2012 Roosevelt County Detention Center created a garden to be used as a behavior management tool for those incarcerated. 8 inmates worked the garden which produced vegetables that were used within the facility and donated to local food banks. The garden project was a success; RCDC is currently preparing a garden, four times the size of last year's garden. Officials anticipate 8-12 inmates will work the garden this growing season.

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2013 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools, and residents to participate in county government and planned county government activities.



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