

Proclamation

- WHEREAS; 2-1-1 is an easy to remember phone number available across the United States and all 33 counties of New Mexico that connects individuals with resources in their local community; and
- WHEREAS; The United Way of Eastern New Mexico has operated the 2-1-1 call center for 16 years in as a free, confidential referral and information helpline that connects people of all ages to essential health and human services they need; and
- WHEREAS; it often is difficult, and time consuming for citizens to identify and access available services when circumstances in their lives have become challenging; and
- WHEREAS; 2-1-1 offers information on a broad range of services including: emergency food, affordable housing, health resources, transportation options, utility and rent assistance, elder care, substance abuse programs, job training, and counseling; and
- WHEREAS; United Way of Eastern New Mexico 2-1-1 program has helped 2,296 callers in 2022 and more than 27,800 over the past 16 years who were directed to local community resources when they were in need; and
- WHEREAS; to celebrate this important FREE service to our community United Way of Eastern New Mexico is conducting awareness activities throughout the month of February.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul Grider, Chairman of the Roosevelt County Commission and on behalf of Roosevelt County Commission, do hereby proclaim February 2023 as

"2-1-1 Month"

in the City of Portales and Roosevelt County and congratulate United Way of Eastern New Mexico in their work in providing the 2-1-1 service to our area for the past sixteen years. We encourage residents to utilize 2-1-1 to access needed services.

Paul Grider, Chair



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