PROCLAMATION

"Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month"

December 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County officials value the health and safety of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, local leaders, in government and in the community, know that the support of the citizens in our communities are the most effective tools they can have in their efforts to reduce the use of alcohol and other drugs by New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County is joining with other New Mexico DWI Coordinator Affiliates to support all efforts to reduce DWI crashes, DWI fatalities and the use of alcohol by residents throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico DWI Coordinators Affiliate represents 33 counties with the common goal of reducing the incidence of DWI, alcoholism, alcohol abuse, drug addiction or drug abuse and preventing or reducing the incidence of domestic abuse related to the use or abuse of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico DWI Coordinators in the 33 counties provide services under Local DWI Programs that provide Compliance Monitoring/Tracking for over 12,000 DWI/ DUI offenders ensuring that clients are in compliance with Court Ordered requirements; and

WHEREAS, students (K-12th grade) throughout the State also receive prevention education/activities through these programs; and

WHEREAS, nationwide, every day 926 people are injured or every 90 seconds someone is injured in drunk driving crash (MADD); and

WHEREAS, the reduction in alcohol involved vehicle crash fatalities and serious alcohol involved vehicle crash injuries is due in part to the dedicated work of the Local DWI Programs; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month is to raise awareness around DWI, alcoholism, alcohol abuse, drug addiction and/or drug abuse, and the efforts of the DWI Affiliates and the Local DWI Programs; and

WHEREAS, Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month will be celebrated in Curry, De Baca and Roosevelt counties in New Mexico during, December 1st – 31st, 2023; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that the governing body Roosevelt County, Board of Commissioners, does hereby designate December, 2023 as:

"Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month"

Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners urges all citizens, parents, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals, schools and colleges in Roosevelt County to support efforts that will increase community awareness, understanding and action to address DWI in our community.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISIONERS OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Executed this 14th day of November, 2023

Chairman

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Proclamation in Support of the New Mexico Nurse Practitioner Council Celebrating National Nurse Practitioner Week (November 12-18, 2023)

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners play a critical role in the healthcare system of Roosevelt County and across New Mexico, providing high-quality, patient-centered care in a variety of settings, including primary care practices, hospitals, clinics, and long-term care facilities across the lifespan; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are highly trained licensed professionals who have completed rigorous education and clinical training, including a master's or doctoral degree in nursing and national certification in their area of specialization; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico has been a leader in recognizing the importance of Nurse Practitioners and granted them full scope authority to practice to the full extent of their education and training; without the need for physician oversight or collaborative practice agreements, which has improved access to care and increased healthcare efficiency; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 290,000 licensed Nurse Practitioners in the United States, with over 3,000 practicing in the state of New Mexico alone, making up nearly one-third of all advanced practice registered nurses in the state; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are providing care to an increasingly diverse patient population, with nearly 20 percent of all Nurse Practitioners providing care in rural and underserved areas, and over 20 percent providing care to Medicaid and Medicare beneficiaries: and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are vital to addressing the growing demand for primary care services, with over 1 billion visits to Nurse Practitioners each year, and an estimated 1 in 5 Americans receiving care from a nurse practitioner annually; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners play a vital role in improving access to healthcare services, particularly in underserved and rural areas where there may be a shortage of healthcare providers; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are helping to improve health outcomes and reduce healthcare costs, with studies showing that Nurse Practitioners provide care that is comparable in quality and outcomes to physician-led care, while also reducing emergency department visits and hospital readmissions; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are committed to promoting health and preventing illness, and work tirelessly to educate patients and their families about healthy lifestyle choices and disease prevention strategies; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Nurse Practitioner Council is a professional organization that represents Nurse Practitioners across the state and advocates for policies and initiatives that support the advancement and recognition of Nurse Practitioners in New Mexico;

Now, therefore, we, the Roosevelt County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 12-18, 2023, as National Nurse Practitioners Week in Roosevelt County, and we express our support for the New Mexico Nurse Practitioner Council in their efforts to advocate and support Nurse Practitioners and the patients they serve.

The Roosevelt County Commissioners recognizes the significant contributions of Nurse Practitioners to the health and wellbeing of our community, and we call on all citizens to recognize their critical role in the healthcare system of Roosevelt County and across New Mexico.

The Roosevelt County Commissioners commends the New Mexico Nurse Practitioner Council for their leadership and dedication to advancing the nursing profession and improving access to quality healthcare in our state.

The Roosevelt County Commissioners urge all citizens to join us in celebrating National Nurse Practitioners Week and in recognizing the vital role that Nurse Practitioners play in providing high-quality, accessible, and cost-effective care to residents of Roosevelt County and across New Mexico.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISIONERS OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Executed this 14th day of November, 2023

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