



PROCLAMATION

Designating the First Full Week of May as National Correctional Employees Week

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated the first full week of May as National Correctional Employees week; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers, also known as detention officers, are dedicated to safeguarding residents in Roosevelt County and ensuring public safety on a daily basis. All of the men and women who serve, put their lives on the line and perform very difficult tasks that can be dangerous as well as frustrating; and

WHEREAS, the 32 members of the Roosevelt County Detention Center play an essential role in the Criminal Justice System; and

WHEREAS, the contribution they make to American law enforcement, while not highly visible, are substantial. These men and women are responsible for ensuring the custody, control, and safety of detainees held in detention. Directly supervising the incarceration and rehabilitation of criminal offenders, detention center personnel are an essential part of our Nation’s criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, detention officers, strive to maintain a safe working and living environment inside the facility, often in the face of significant challenges and dangers, and our community recognizes the important work and sacrifices that corrections and detention officers make each day to protect the citizens of Roosevelt County; and

WHEREAS, the general public should fully appreciate detention personnel capable handling of the physical and emotional demands made upon them daily. Their profession requires careful and constant vigilance, and the threat of violence is always present. At the same time, these dedicated employees try to improve the living conditions of those who are being confined; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Roosevelt County Detention Center unceasingly provide a vital public service, working long shifts, and put their lives on the line daily. This team has remained committed to excellence after earning and achieving re-accreditation by the New Mexico Association of Counties Adult Detention Professional Standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners, they call upon all citizens of Roosevelt County and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the first full week of May as National Correctional Employees Week in honor of those correctional employees, whom we believe clearly deserve our recognition, respect, and appreciation for ensuring that our detention facility and functions are operated safely and humanely.

The Board of Commissioners further call upon all citizens of Roosevelt County to observe the first full week of May as National Correctional Employees Week in honor of those correctional officers who, through their courage deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and those who continue to serve in this challenging and difficult profession in public safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Roosevelt County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2024 to be:

“National Correction Officers Week”

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the County of Roosevelt to be affixed this 23rd day of April 2024.

Attest:


Tina Dixon, Chairman


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