



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, in the United States, injuries, which include unintentional injury, suicide, and homicide, are the leading cause of death and disability among people ages 1 to 44; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, 278,345 people died by injury in 2020 including 2,646 in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, in New Mexico, unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death for people ages one to nine and 15-54, and the third leading cause of death overall; suicide is the leading cause of death for children ages 10-14 and the tenth leading cause of death overall; and homicide is in the top four leading causes of death among those under age 35; and

WHEREAS, most injuries can be prevented through a combination of policy, education, safety engineering, and distribution of safety devices; and

WHEREAS, the state of New Mexico is committed to creating a safe environment contributing to the safety and well-being of all New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, factors such as limited social, educational, and economic opportunity, unstable housing, rigid gender roles, and daily stresses of violence and racism increase injury risk; and

WHEREAS, supporting and strengthening families, building stable connections with peers and adults, improving communication, problem-solving and conflict resolution skills, and fostering a strong connection to school and community can create long-lasting, effective prevention; and

WHEREAS, hospitals, state agencies, and community organizations are committed to their crucial roles in reducing injuries and deaths by promoting evidence-based injury prevention policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for greater capacity-building and community collaboration to reduce the burden of injury in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, National Injury Prevention Day raises awareness and promotes efforts to prevent injuries and injury-related deaths.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2022 as:

“National Injury Prevention Day”

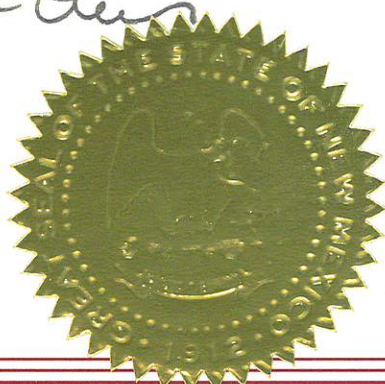
throughout the state of New Mexico.


Attest:


Maggie Toulouse Oliver
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this
1st day of November 2022.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal
of the State of New Mexico.




Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor