



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, WATER IS NEW MEXICO'S MOST VALUABLE AND VULNERABLE NATURAL RESOURCE; AND

WHEREAS, THE PRUDENT USE OF WATER IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUALS, SCHOOLS, ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES, AND GOVERNMENTS; AND

WHEREAS, A SAFE, RELIABLE WATER SUPPLY IS CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF ANY COMMUNITY AND IT CREATES JOBS, ATTRACTS INDUSTRY AND INVESTMENT, PROMOTES TOURISM, PROVIDES FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF CITIZENS, AND HEALTHY WATERSHEDS LEAD TO HEALTHY COMMUNITIES; AND

WHEREAS, OUR SCHOOLS, MUNICIPAL, COUNTY AND STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO TEACH AND ENCOURAGE STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES, AND THEIR FAMILIES ABOUT THE MANY WATER CONSERVATION STRATEGIES THAT HELP CITIZENS SAVE AND PROTECT THIS VALUABLE RESOURCE; AND

WHEREAS, SMALL ADJUSTMENTS IN OUR DAILY PRACTICES CAN REDUCE WATER USAGE, SAVE A CRUCIAL NATURAL RESOURCE, LOWER OUR WATER BILLS, AND SAVE TAXPAYER DOLLARS; AND

WHEREAS, THE START OF 2014 WAS THE DRIEST ON RECORD FOR THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO. REGARDLESS OF THE COMPLEXITY OF DROUGHT CONDITIONS, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH NEW MEXICO RESIDENT, OF EVERY AGE, TO PRACTICE WATER CONSERVATION AND PROTECT WATER QUALITY IN ORDER TO ENDURE PROLONGED DROUGHT AND SECURE OUR WATER RESOURCES; AND

WHEREAS, OUR AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY IS DEPENDENT ON A RELIABLE WATER SUPPLY TO MAINTAIN OUR LOCAL FOOD SOURCES, AND WITHOUT CLEAN WATER, AND CONSERVATION AWARENESS, THIS COMMUNITY IS AT HIGH RISK OF NOT BEING ABLE TO SUSTAIN THEIR LIVELIHOODS IN NEW MEXICO, WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS; AND

WHEREAS, WE CALL UPON EACH CITIZEN TO CONSERVE WATER, HELP PROTECT OUR SOURCE WATERS FROM POLLUTION, AND BECOME INVOLVED IN LOCAL WATER ISSUES;

NOW, THEREFORE I, SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE 4TH THROUGHOUT THE 10TH OF MAY, 2014 AS

“WATER QUALITY & CONSERVATION AWARENESS WEEK”

THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 25TH DAY OF APRIL 2014.

ATTEST:

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

DIANNA J. DURAN
SECRETARY OF STATE

SUSANA MARTINEZ
GOVERNOR

