



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, IN THE PAST, WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN TREATED AS SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS AND HAVE NOT BEEN ENTITLED TO THE FULL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AVAILABLE TO MALE CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES; AND

**WHEREAS**, AUGUST 26 IS THE ANNIVERSARY DATE OF THE PASSAGE OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT IN 1920, WHICH GRANTED WOMEN THE RIGHT TO VOTE; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES IN 1971 DESIGNATED AUGUST 26 AS WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY TO SERVE AS A SYMBOL OF THE CONTINUED FIGHT FOR EQUAL RIGHTS; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES ARE TO BE SUPPORTED IN THEIR FIGHT FOR EQUALITY AND COMMENDED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2014 AS**

## “WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY”

THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO; AND

- RECOGNIZE THAT THE OBSERVANCE OF WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY NOT ONLY COMMEMORATES THE PASSAGE OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT, BUT ALSO CALLS ATTENTION TO WOMEN'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TOWARD FULL EQUALITY; AND
- AFFIRM THE RIGHT OF WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES TO ASSEMBLE IN PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION FOR WOMEN'S RIGHT; AND
- ENDORSE PUBLIC RECOGNITION OF WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY BY ALL NEW MEXICO RESIDENTS AND VISITORS WITH COMMEMORATIONS OF WOMEN'S PROGRESS AND CONTINUING EFFORTS TOWARD ATTAINING FULL EQUALITY.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2014.

ATTEST:

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

DIANNA J. DURAN  
SECRETARY OF STATE

SUSANA MARTINEZ  
GOVERNOR

