

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, native plants provide food, including nectar, pollen, seeds, and foliage, for native birds, caterpillars, butterflies, bees, and other wildlife in ways that non-native plants cannot; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is home to more than three thousand native plant species; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico has more than two hundred thirty-five rare and endangered plant species, one hundred and nine of which occur nowhere else in the world; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage public awareness about the importance and benefits of New Mexico's native plants to pollinators and other wildlife, to the economy, and to the health and sustainability of New Mexico's fragile ecosystems.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim April 2025, as:

## "New Mexico Native Plant Month"

Attest:

Maggie Toulouse Cliver
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.

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

Michelle Lujan Grisham

Governor