

WHEREAS, Jewish immigrants to America, ever since their first arrival to our shores in the 16th century, have played a central role in the creation, growth, freedom, prosperity, and strength of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the biblical and contemporary history of the Jewish people and the enduring values of the Jewish faith were vital sources of inspiration for the founding of the United States, the Civil Rights movement, America's global leadership in the cause of freedom, Americans' commitment to social justice, and many of our Country's most central tenets; and

WHEREAS, through core Jewish beliefs such as the creation of man in the image of God, the infinite value of every human life, the need for a weekly Sabbath, and the importance of education in the lives of children, the Jewish community has helped to define America's character and values; and

WHEREAS, Jewish citizens of Santa Fe, having first settled here in the mid-1600s, played a central role in its political, economic, and social development, including by serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and the New Mexico National Guard; and

WHEREAS, the United States was the first country in the world to recognize the State of Israel in 1948, and over the years has developed a deep friendship and unbreakable alliance with the State of Israel based upon shared values and mutual interests; and

WHEREAS, for forty-two years, every President of the United States has declared a period of time for celebrating the contributions to the United States of the Jewish community's history, heritage, and culture, and since 2000, the month of May has been Presidentially declared to be Jewish American Heritage Month, pursuant to a bipartisan resolution of Congress.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 2024 TO BE JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH FOR THE CITY OF SANTA FE.

"JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH"

Promulgada en el ayuntamiento, el día primero de mayo, del año 2024 Done at City Hall, this 1st day of May 2024

Witness my hand:

Alcalde/Mayor

