

*Office of the Mayor*  
**Official Proclamation** of the *City of Santa Fe*  
*Bando Oficial de la Villa Real de Santa Fé de San Francisco de Asís Nuevo México*

**WHEREAS, poetry is one of the earliest forms of cultural creation and storytelling, defining us as humans and shaping our cultures for thousands of years; and**

**WHEREAS, in 1996 the Academy of American Poets established the month of April as National Poetry Month; and**

**WHEREAS, National Poetry Month highlights the extraordinary legacy and ongoing achievement of poets; introduces people of all generations to the pleasures and benefits of reading and writing poetry; and brings poets and poetry to the public in innovative ways; and,**

**WHEREAS, as National Poetry Month is now the largest literary celebration in the world; and**

**WHEREAS, poetry has produced some of our nation's and our city's leading creative artists and has inspired other artists in fields such as music, theatre, film, dance, and the visual arts; and**

**WHEREAS, poetry enhances and enriches the lives of all Santa Feans, through literature, music, performance, and spoken word; and**

**WHEREAS, Santa Fe is a city of people of extraordinary creativity, inspiration, and poetic abilities and possibilities; and**

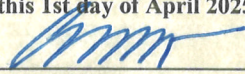
**WHEREAS, for the purposes of this proclamation during national poetry month, and in recognition of the creative spark that resides in all members of our community, all people of Santa Fe are hereby declared to be poets.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL AS:**

**“NATIONAL POETRY MONTH”**

Promulgada en el Ayuntamiento, el día  
primero de abril del año 2025.  
Done at City Hall, this 1st day of April 2025

Witness my hand:

  
Alcalde/Mayor

