

**Office of the Mayor
City of Belen, New Mexico**



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mayor Jerah R. Cordova and the City of Belen will participate in the seventh "Mayor's Day of Recognition for National Service" on April 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character and is central to how we meet our challenges. Therefore, the nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from educating students for jobs and supporting veterans and military families, to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, National service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve. The national service participants serve in more than 70,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being. They represent a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solution and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, The Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and they join with mayors nationwide to support the "Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jerah R. Cordova, Mayor of the City of Belen, do hereby proclaim the 2nd Day of April 2019, to be:

"NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY"

in Belen, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city, to thank those who serve, and to find ways to give back to their communities.

Duly Proclaimed: this 1st day of April, 2019

Attest:


Leona Vigil, City Manager/CMC


Jerah R. Cordova, Mayor