



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

Proclamation

WHEREAS, THE USS NEW MEXICO, BB-40, WAS A SUPER-DREADNOUGHT BATTLESHIP THAT WAS THE FIRST UNITED STATES NAVY WARSHIP NAMED AFTER THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO; AND

WHEREAS, MAY 20, 2018, MARKS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMISSIONING OF THE USS NEW MEXICO; AND

WHEREAS, THE USS NEW MEXICO RECEIVED SIX BATTLE STARS FOR HER WORLD WAR II SERVICE, BY PROVIDING CRUCIAL FIRE SUPPORT FOR ISLAND INVASIONS DURING THE PACIFIC CAMPAIGN AND FOR BEING STRUCK TWICE BY KAMIKAZE ATTACKS THAT KILLED OVER 80 OF HER SAILORS AND WOUNDED MORE THAN 200 OTHERS; AND

WHEREAS, THE USS NEW MEXICO, SSN-779, A VIRGINIA-CLASS NUCLEAR SUBMARINE, WAS COMMISSIONED ON MARCH 27, 2010, AND CONTINUES THE LEGACY BEGUN BY THE BATTLESHIP USS NEW MEXICO BB-40;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 20, 2018, AS

“USS NEW MEXICO DAY”

THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AND I CALL UPON ALL NEW MEXICANS TO RECOGNIZE THE VALOR AND SACRIFICE OF THE USS NEW MEXICO SAILORS, BOTH PAST AND PRESENT, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED ON OTHER SHIPS AND SUBMARINES NAMED AFTER CITIES AND GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS IN THE LAND OF ENCHANTMENT.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2018.

ATTEST:

Maggie Toulouse Oliver

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

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER
SECRETARY OF STATE

Susana Martinez
SUSANA MARTINEZ
GOVERNOR

