

Office of the Mayor
Hobbs, New Mexico

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted health care providers for patients in our state; and

WHEREAS, NPs are at the forefront of efforts to combat COVID-19, educating patients about prevention and ensuring the equitable distribution of vaccinations; and

WHEREAS, NPs work to expand access to care in underserved communities, end health disparities and combat systemic racism in health care; and

WHEREAS, patients depend on the more than 325,000 licensed NPs in the United States to diagnose, manage and treat their chronic and acute health care conditions; and

WHEREAS, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day; and

WHEREAS, the confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than one billion visits made annually to NPs across the country; and

WHEREAS, more than five decades of research confirms the high quality of care provided by NPs; and

WHEREAS, better utilization of NPs through modernized state laws and improved policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher-quality health care system; and

WHEREAS, 23 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands have implemented Full Practice Authority for NPs, granting patients full and direct access to the outstanding care offered by these health care professionals; and

WHEREAS, leading governmental and policy entities including the National Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors Association and Federal Trade Commission have taken notice of the benefits of providing patients full and direct access to NP care; and


WHEREAS, the City of Hobbs is proud to recognize and honor the service of NPs to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam D. Cobb, Mayor of the City of Hobbs, New Mexico, do hereby proclaim the week of November 7 – 13, 2021, as:

“National Nurse Practitioner Week”

in recognition of the countless contributions NPs have made over the past half century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of citizens in our state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of November, 2021, and cause the seal of the City of Hobbs to be affixed hereto.


SAM D. COBB, Mayor

ATTEST:


JAN FLETCHER, City Clerk

