





Santa Fe County Proclamation

PROCLAIMING JUNE 14TH 2022 AS "KATHERINE MILLER DAY"

WHEREAS, local government managers are essential executives who oversee the daily operations of their respective governmental entities, providing vision and direction of the resources that address community challenges; and

WHEREAS, professional government managers are hired and directed by their city or county officials to administer policy, and are responsible for developing tangible action plans that deliver exceptional public services; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Miller, an exemplary public servant with a long and distinguished career in public service, announced her retirement as Santa Fe County Manager on April 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Katherine began working with Santa Fe County in 1997 as a Procurement Officer and was promoted to Finance Manager after only a year and a half; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Katherine joined Governor Bill Richardson's administration as Deputy Chief of Staff of Policy, was appointed Executive Director of the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority in 2004, and appointed Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration in 2006; and

WHEREAS, as Governor Richardson's administration came to an end, Katherine returned to Santa Fe County in 2010 as County Manager, where she led the County with professionalism and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Katherine completed certifications and attended numerous relevant post-graduate classes in New Mexico State Purchasing, Administering CDBG Grants, Government Contracts, Business Law, Contract Negotiations, Defense Contract Law, Management of Defense Acquisition, Cost and Price Analysis, Government Purchasing and Accounting Management; and

WHEREAS, Katherine also has a Bachelor of Science, Business Degree from Wright State University in Dayton Ohio and a Master of Public Administration from Troy State University in Troy, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, she has served on many boards and committees during her public service career and has been a member of many significant governmental organizations, including the New Mexico Finance Authority Board of Directors; New Mexico Water Trust Board; New Mexico Community Development Council; New Mexico Tribal Infrastructure Fund Board; New Mexico Interagency Behavioral Health Collaborative Board; the New Mexico County Insurance Authority Multi-Line Pool Board of Directors; National Association of State Budget Officers; the New Mexico Community Foundation Advisory Board; and the Government Finance Officers Association; and

WHEREAS, Katherine transformed the reputation and administrative processes of Santa Fe County during her tenure, overseeing the implementation of many significant projects while also instituting financial discipline, which has resulted in Santa Fe County's general obligation bonds receiving a AAA rating from Standard & Poors; and







WHEREAS, Katherine led Santa Fe County safely and strategically through the COVID-19 pandemic, including the management and distribution of \$14 million in federal CARES Act funding, \$4 million in small-business grants, and \$2 million in housing assistance, while keeping the safety, health, and economic solvency of Santa Fe County front of mind and heart; and

WHEREAS, Katherine steered the County with the utmost trust, confidence, and admiration of her staff; and

WHEREAS, after 11.6 years or 4,240 days or 101,760 hours of serving as County Manager and a robust 25-year as a public servant in New Mexico, Katherine will spend her retirement traveling with her husband Chuck, and dog Maggie, and finally take a well-earned break; and

WHEREAS, this proclamation recognizes Katherine Miller for her outstanding contributions to Santa Fe County, acknowledges her devoted public service, and honors her commitment to her community, constituents, and staff.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE 14th OF JUNE, 2022, AS:

"KATHERINE MILLER DAY"

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED ON THIS 14th DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

Anna T. Hamilton, Chair Commissioner District 4

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Commissioner District 2

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County Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rachel A. Brown

Interim County Attorney

ATTESTATION:

Katharine E. Clark

County Clerk