



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers' Week was first proclaimed on May 5, 1984 by President Ronald Reagan when he signed Proclamation 5187, to recognize the men and women who work in jails, prisons, and community corrections across the country; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the U.S. Senate officially changed the name to National Correctional Officers and Employees Week, recognized in the first week of May; and

WHEREAS, the correctional officers, also known as detention officers, are dedicated to safeguarding residents in Curry County and ensuring public safety; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated men and women daily put their lives on the line and perform very difficult tasks that can be dangerous as well as frustrating; and

WHEREAS, correctional and detention officers are responsible for supervising inmate conduct and behavior to maintain security within the facility while promoting positive behavior, attitudes, and skills within the inmate population in order to reduce recidivism and promote successful reentry into the community; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers and detention officers deserve our show of support and an increase in public awareness about their important role in our community; and

WHEREAS, correctional and detention officers, strive to maintain a safe working and living environment inside the facility, often in the face of significant challenges and dangers, and our community recognizes the important work and sacrifices that corrections and detention officers make each day to protect the citizens of Curry County; and

WHEREAS, this week has been made set aside to recognize our correctional and detention officers for their professionalism, hard work, dedication, and efforts to protect those in their custody and the public's safety; and

WHEREAS, Curry County has 77 detention employees and their hard work and dedication resulted in Curry County becoming the 9th County in the State of New Mexico to become accredited and continuation of our accreditation;

WHEREAS, Curry County detention employees have accomplished being up to date on training requirements pursuant to NMC training standards and have booked 2,430 detainees and released 2,484 detainees during the past 12 months;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ben McDaniel, Chair of the Board of Curry County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2020 to be

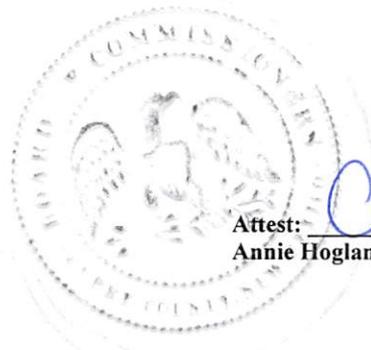
"National Correctional Officers and Employees Week"

in Curry County and encourage all citizens to join in honoring and recognizing our detention officers and employees who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered dedicated service to the community, remembering those correctional professionals who have made the ultimate sacrifice, as well as to those who continue to face the daily dangers and challenges in our Nation's jails and prisons.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the County of Curry to be affixed this 27th day of April 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben McDaniel".

Ben McDaniel, Chairman



Attest:

Annie Hogland, Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Annie Hogland".