

## **Executive Order**

**From the**

### **Office of the Mayor**

*Whereas, In the United States, injuries, which include unintentional injury, suicide, and homicide, are the leading cause of death and disability among people ages 1 to 44; and in the United States, 278,345 people died by injury in 2020 including 2,646 in New Mexico;*

*and*

*Whereas, In New Mexico, unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death for people ages one to nine and 15-54, and the third leading cause of death overall; and most injuries can be prevented through a combination of policy, education, safety engineering, and distribution of safety devices; and*

*Whereas, Factors such as limited social, educational, and economic opportunity, unstable housing, rigid gender roles, and daily stresses of violence and racism increase injury risk; and*

*Whereas, Supporting and strengthening families, building stable connections with peers and adults, improving communication, problem-solving and conflict resolution skills, and fostering a strong connection to school and community can create long-lasting, effective injury prevention; and*

*Whereas, Hospitals, city agencies, and community organizations are committed to their crucial roles in reducing injuries and deaths by promoting evidence-based injury prevention policies and practices; and there is a need for a greater capacity-building and community collaboration to reduce the burden of injury in the City of Albuquerque and across New Mexico; and*

*Whereas, The City of Albuquerque is committed to creating a safe environment contributing to the safety and well-being of all New Mexicans; and*

*Whereas, National Injury Prevention Day raises awareness and promotes efforts to prevent injuries and injury-related deaths; and*

*Now, Therefore, I, Timothy M. Keller, Mayor of the City of Albuquerque, do hereby proclaim, November 18, 2022, as:*

## **"National Injury Prevention Day"**

*Timothy M. Keller*

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor