

Office of the Mayor
Official Proclamation of the City of Santa Fe
Bando Oficial de la Villa Real de Santa Fé de San Francisco de Asís Nuevo México

WHEREAS, the aesthetic beauty and wonder of a natural night sky is a shared heritage of all humankind; and

WHEREAS, the experience of standing under a starry night sky inspires feelings of wonder and awe, encouraging a growing interest in science and nature, particularly among young people and visitors from outside the local communities.; and

WHEREAS, light pollution has scientifically established economic and environmental consequences, which result in significant impacts on the ecology and human health of all communities; and

WHEREAS, 80 percent of the world's population, including many people in Santa Fe, New Mexico, lives under a dome of light pollution—excessive artificial lighting at night that disrupts natural darkness—which limits their experience of the visual wonder and ecological and health benefits of living under a dark sky; and

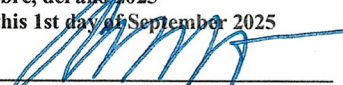
WHEREAS, light pollution represents a waste of natural resources amounting to roughly \$3 billion per year of wasted energy in the United States and contributes to diminished energy security; and

WHEREAS, DarkSky International, the globally recognized authority on light pollution, recognizes International Dark-Sky Week to raise awareness of the effects of light pollution, provide free education, resources, and solutions to the public, and encourage the protection of and enjoyment of dark skies and responsible outdoor lighting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM
APRIL 21- APRIL 28, 2025, AS**

“INTERNATIONAL DARK SKY WEEK”

Promulgada en el ayuntamiento, el día
primero de septiembre, del año 2025
Done at City Hall, this 1st day of September 2025

Witness my hand: 
Alcalde/Mayor

