



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, it is the mission of every New Mexico School District Nutrition Department to provide students with healthy meals that improve educational outcomes; and*

*WHEREAS, providing nutritious meals at school is an essential part of the school day and mandated by the National School Lunch Program; and*

*WHEREAS, New Mexico's 14,000 school nutrition professionals work tireless hours to serve more than 309,000 students annually; and*

*WHEREAS, over 30 million meals have been served to New Mexico children in daycare, head start, pre-school, and K-12 settings through the state's child nutrition programs this school year; and*

*WHEREAS, school meals increasingly utilize New Mexico produce which keeps revenue in our state and affords our students the best food possible from our very own farmers; and*

*WHEREAS, New Mexico School Districts Nutrition Department's staff are committed to providing healthful, nutritious meals to students; and*

*WHEREAS, the hard-working people who prepare and serve school meals care for our children through their daily interaction and support, nurturing their bodies and minds; and*

*WHEREAS, New Mexico appreciates these incredible employees and commends their invaluable work.*

*NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2023 as:*

## ***"School Lunch Hero Day"***

*throughout the state of New Mexico.*

Attest:

Maggie Toulouse Oliver  
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2023.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal  
of the State of New Mexico.

Michelle Lujan Grisham  
Governor

