



The Legislature
of the
State of New Mexico
FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
2022

*The New Mexico State Senate,
Having Learned of the*

PRESIDENT ULYSSES S. GRANT BICENTENNIAL, 2022

Does Hereby Extend its Recognition; and

WHEREAS, the President Ulysses S. Grant Bicentennial, 2022, is recognized; and

and WHEREAS, Ulysses S. Grant was born 200 years ago in Point Pleasant, Ohio, on April 27, 1822;

and WHEREAS, upon the outbreak of the Civil War, Grant offered his services to the Union cause and rose to be supreme commander of the Union armies in 1864; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his battles and campaigns, including at Forts Henry and Donelson, Shiloh, Vicksburg, Chattanooga, the Wilderness Campaign, the Petersburg Campaign, and the Appomattox Campaign, General Grant was the principal author of Union victory; and

WHEREAS, General Robert E. Lee's surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia to General Grant at Appomattox Court House on April 9, 1865, marked the virtual end of the Civil War. General Grant's magnanimous surrender terms won him the gratitude of those who had fought his armies on the battlefield. His military victory also enabled the emancipation of enslaved people; and

and WHEREAS, General Grant served as the nation's eighteenth president between 1869 and 1877;

WHEREAS, as president, he secured the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment, which prohibits racial discrimination with respect to voting rights. President Grant also signed into law the creation of the Department of Justice, several Enforcement Acts, and a Civil Rights Act that upheld Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendment rights. He pushed prosecution efforts that crushed the nineteenth-century Ku Klux Klan; and

WHEREAS, President Grant achieved significant benchmarks in peace, including the successful resolution of disputes with Spain and Great Britain that threatened war. The Treaty of Washington helped establish the principle of international arbitration as a means for the peaceful resolution of major international disputes; and

WHEREAS, his Personal Memoirs of U.S. Grant stands as one of the greatest works of American literature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it hereby recognizes the Ulysses S. Grant Bicentennial in 2022; and that it encourages residents of New Mexico to celebrate the memory of President Ulysses S. Grant, to further education on his life and legacy, and to advance the highest principles of service to the country he embodied.



**Signed and Sealed at The Capitol,
in the City of Santa Fe.**

Mimi Stewart
Mimi Stewart, President Pro Tem
New Mexico State Senate

Lenore M. Naranjo
Lenore M. Naranjo, Chief Clerk
New Mexico State Senate