

Proclamation

December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Miners' Day

WHEREAS, in 2009 Congress proclaimed that each December 6<sup>th</sup> would be recognized as National Miners Day;

WHEREAS, miners' and their families have achieved, provided, and sacrificed so much for the betterment of their fellow Americans;

WHEREAS, "in appreciation, honor and remembrance of the accomplishments and sacrifices of the miners of our Nation";

WHEREAS, New Mexico miners extract materials we use everyday such as coal, copper, phosphate, silver, limestone, iron, and zinc;

WHEREAS, miners' produce the gravel, crushed stone, tar asphalts, road salt and cement to build the roadways we travel;

WHEREAS, miners' have placed their own lives and safety to provide energy resources and raw materials that are essential to a growing economy;

WHEREAS, New Mexico remains a leading mineral producer in the United States;

WHEREAS, mining provides employment for over 7000 New Mexicans

WHEREAS, mining has played a significant role in economic development of New Mexico since the 1800's;

NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of the numerous contributions made by New Mexico Miners, I James Neil Segotta Jr., Mayor pro-tem of the City of Raton, proclaim December 6<sup>th</sup> 2015 as

"National Miners Day"

and all upon all citizens to join with City of Raton, Miners' Colfax Medical Center and the University of New Mexico in celebration and support of the Mining profession.

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James Neil Segotta Jr., Mayor pro-tem

ATTEST:

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Tricia Garcia- City Clerk