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HOUSE BILL 10

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOLIDAYS; DESIGNATING EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF MAY AS "ASIAN AMERICAN, PACIFIC ISLANDER AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN DAY"; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] ASIAN AMERICAN, PACIFIC

ISLANDER AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN DAY.--The first Saturday of May of each year shall be known and celebrated as "Asian American, Pacific Islander and Native Hawaiian Day" in recognition of the many cultural and economic contributions and sacrifices Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, Native Hawaiians, East Asians, Southeast Asians, South Asians and all other groups who have migrated from, have historical ties to or identify themselves as from Asia have made to New Mexico. This day shall be observed by the people of New Mexico in efforts and

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1 undertakings that celebrate the diversity of cultural heritage
2 of New Mexicans; recognize that May is Asian American and
3 Pacific Islander heritage month; honor all past, present and
4 future leaders in New Mexico who are Asian American, Pacific
5 Islander, Native Hawaiian, East Asian, Southeast Asian and
6 South Asian and all other groups who have migrated from, have
7 historical ties to or identify themselves as from Asia; and are
8 in harmony with the general character of the day so
9 established.

10 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
11 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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