

1 HOUSE BILL 274

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO PUBLIC HOLIDAYS; DESIGNATING THE FIRST TUESDAY OF
12 FEBRUARY OF EACH ODD-NUMBERED YEAR AS "ASIAN AMERICAN, PACIFIC
13 ISLANDER AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN DAY".
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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] ASIAN AMERICAN, PACIFIC
17 ISLANDER AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN DAY.--The first Tuesday of
18 February of each odd-numbered year shall be known and
19 celebrated as "Asian American, Pacific Islander and Native
20 Hawaiian Day" in recognition of the many cultural, economic and
21 historic contributions and sacrifices Asian Americans, Pacific
22 Islanders, Native Hawaiians, East Asians, Southeast Asians,
23 South Asians and all other groups who have migrated from, have
24 historical ties to or identify themselves as from Asia have
25 made to New Mexico. This day shall be observed by the people

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

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