

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEW MEXICO HONORS AFRICAN AMERICANS DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Albuquerque, February 1—Black History Month begins today, a time to recognize and celebrate the many accomplishments of African Americans in our great nation. They have played a vital role in shaping our country and have made extraordinary contributions.

"We must take pause this month to honor the achievements African Americans have made throughout our history and to reflect on their struggles, strength of mind and their spirit in our country's often turbulent journey," says RPNM Chairman Steve Pearce. "Our Party will always fight for policies that help all New Mexicans and promote inclusion in our state. Today we honor Africans Americans in New Mexico and owe them a debt of gratitude for helping shape our great state."

The Party pays tribute to African Americans during this special month, a time to reflect on their culture, struggles and successes.

"In honoring the contributions made by African Americans, every day should be a day of celebration of Black History Month," says Stephanie Kennedy, New Mexico Director of C-4: Communities of Color Christian Conservative Group. "Black excellence is astounding and honorable as we look at the substantial contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and other civil rights champions, including Republicans, who sought and achieved equality for all of us."

In 1976 President Ford recognized February as Black History Month to pay tribute to African Americans past and present. He told Americans to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history."

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