



RPNM STATEMENT ON SUPREME COURT STOPPING CITIZEN-LED GRAND JURIES FROM INVESTIGATING GOVERNOR OVER MISHANDLING OF PANDEMIC

Albuquerque, November 22—The following is a statement from Republican Party of New Mexico Chairman Steve Pearce on the New Mexico Supreme Court’s decision to prevent citizens from convening grand juries to challenge Gov. Lujan Grisham over her illegal emergency Public Health Orders.

New Mexico is among a handful of states where citizen petitions are allowed under the state constitution.

“The Supreme Court’s recent ruling rejecting the Governor’s pandemic spending was a reassurance that the High Court respected and abided by the state constitution, but this latest decision goes against that. It’s disappointing and frustrating that our Supreme Court will not allow the voice of New Mexicans to be heard. When state government breaks the law as Lujan Grisham has done, citizens should be able to speak out and get a proper investigation as decreed by our New Mexico Constitution. The Democrat-dominated Court continues to stifle those who believe there’s malfeasance on the Governor’s part. It’s refreshing that citizens want to speak out after Lujan Grisham has continuously overstepped her authority, abused her power and stripped New Mexicans of their freedoms and ability to choose for themselves throughout the pandemic.”