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## Governor issues statement on Indigenous Peoples' Day

SANTA FE – Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham on Monday issued the following statement recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day:

"Today we honor the culture and history of this nation's First People. New Mexico is proud to share its borders with 23 Nations, Tribes and Pueblos, each of which holds a deep and rich heritage.

"Our state and our nation are better for the innumerable contributions of native people, including in our legislature and government.

We also reflect today on the historic discrimination and systematic oppression imposed on Native Americans for generations. Today, we recommit ourselves to righting the wrongs of the past in pursuit of true equity."