

ENDORSEMENT LETTER
NM Office of Peacebuilding Bill

To the Legislators and Governor of New Mexico:

We endorse the NM Office of Peacebuilding bill, proposed by the NM Department of Peace Initiative, and sponsored by Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino in the New Mexico Legislature. We call on the legislators and the Governor to support and fund this important bill that will create an Office of Peacebuilding in New Mexico—dedicated to peacemaking, justice and human rights, training that will enable the prevention, management and resolution of conflict without violence, and the study and implementation of conditions that are conducive to a culture of peace.

The office will organize and participate in public dialogues throughout the state providing a diplomatic method for addressing controversial issues and conflict. A peace education curriculum will be developed for use at all educational levels in public schools. The office will study and promote a sustainable peace economy that supports people, justice and the environment, as an essential avenue to peace and security.

Our lives, homes, neighborhoods, schools, our workplaces, communities and state will all benefit from our increasing awareness, knowledge and skills of peace and justice. This process is a significant part of our solution to nonviolence and real safety and security.

Signature _____ Date _____

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