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Ted Turner Recognized by State of New Mexico

The 56th legislature of the State of New Mexico signs bill memorializing Ted Turner and the Turner Foundation for their vision, generosity and stewardship of New Mexico's lands and wildlife.

Raton, NM — March 16, 2023 — Renowned conservationist and philanthropist Ted Turner and the Turner Foundation were recognized by the New Mexico legislature for their philanthropy and contribution to large land conservation. Senate Memorial 62 was introduced and sponsored by Senator Joseph Cervantes, Democratic Senator from District 31, who is also a standing member of the Senate Conservation Committee. The bill recognizes Ted Turner as the largest private landowner in New Mexico, converting the historic properties he owns into nature reserves to share with the public, and honors the Turner Foundation for philanthropic donations of nearly \$1.2 million in grants to various youth, conservation, and education organizations in New Mexico. The bill also observes that Ted Turner Reserves, the hospitality company behind the guest operations on these New Mexico properties, has contributed more than \$2.8 million in tax revenues to the state since its conception in 2019.

The bill passed with majority vote on March 9, 2023 in the first regular session of the New Mexico legislature.

Ted Turner owns more than one million acres of land in the state of New Mexico, which include the 550,000 acre Vermejo reserve in the northern, Rocky Mountain region, the 156,000 acre Ladder reserve at the base of the Black Range in the southern desert basin region, and the 360,000 acre Armendaris reserve in the Chihuahuan desert. These reserves are home to a variety of large land conservation and endangered species efforts, including the restoration of vital habitats, reintroduction of native flora and fauna and forest management to protect the state from catastrophic wildfires. Mr. Turner's deep love and appreciation for these lands compels him to share them with the world in the hopes of inspiring others in his mission to 'Save Everything,' and protect the planet for future generations. These properties are part of a larger collection of conservation-forward properties and ranches across the US, totaling more than two million acres. Sierra Grande, a Ted Turner Retreat, in Truth or Consequences, offers a connection to both southern reserve properties, while allowing guests to enjoy the healing waters of the natural occurring geothermal hot springs it rests upon.

To learn more about Ted Turner Reserves, please visit www.tedturnerreserves.com.

About Ted Turner Reserves:

Ted Turner Reserves is a hospitality brand grounded in conservation with a mission to connect people with nature. With 1.1 million acres across three properties in New Mexico, Ted Turner Reserves includes Vermejo, Armendaris and Ladder and one retreat, Sierra Grande. These properties provide an unparalleled opportunity for guests to visit and experience luxurious hospitality, outdoor activities, and unfettered access to nature. Guests also will have the opportunity to learn about renowned businessman, philanthropist, and environmentalist Ted Turner's efforts to restore and preserve these properties and their native species and ecosystems.

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