

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Thursday, February 19, 2015 will be the 70th Anniversary of the United States Marines landing on the island of Iwo Jima in the South Pacific; and

WHEREAS, this operation was the main turning point of the war in the Pacific theater because of its strategic location to Japan; and

WHEREAS, to honor all of those in support of that critical operation from offshore as well as hitting the beaches; and

WHEREAS, to honor and remember the 7,000 United States Marines and the 22,000 Japanese who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it appropriate to honor four of our Silver City residents who were there and are with us today. They are Fred Clark, Eugene Lewis, Curtis Maxwell, and Felipe Ortego. They are still serving in our community today; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael S. Morones, Mayor of the Town of Silver City, Grant County, New Mexico, in recognition of this historic event do hereby proclaim February 19, 2015 as

“IWO JIMA DAY”

and encourage the community to honor these special residents for their sacrifice to our nation, to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice, and to honor all of those who have served and continue to serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Town of Silver City to be affixed in Silver City, Grant County, New Mexico, this 10th day of February, 2015.

Michael S. Morones, Mayor

Attest:

Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk