

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the National Seniors Olympics Organization (known as the National Senior Games Association) was formed in 1985 in St. Louis, Missouri, and the first games were held in 1987 in St. Louis with 2,500 competitors, and it has grown each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Mexico Senior Olympics' Mission is to promote physical fitness for seniors statewide; to provide year-round opportunities and motivation for adults ages 50 and over to participate in local, state and national games; and

**WHEREAS**, the Copper Country Senior Olympics, a local program, offers opportunities for seniors to participate in 32 local events, 25 state events, and 15 national events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Copper Country Senior Olympics qualified 39 individuals, ages 50 and above to go to nationals this year in Albuquerque, New Mexico; a first time event for nationals in the State of New Mexico to be held June 14 – 25, 2019. The Copper Country Senior Olympics Team won 12 gold medals, 23 silver medals, and 9 bronze medals at the state events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Silver City and Western New Mexico University supported the Copper Country Senior Olympics through funding and the use of their facilities, allowing the Copper Country Senior Olympics to put on their games. Their help and the support of many local merchants helped to make the games possible; and

**WHEREAS**, the Copper Country Senior Olympics and Grant County were honored in Silver City by being asked to start the National Games Torch Run, and the latest honor in 2019 has been given to local coordinator, Mario Quintana, who will be a flag barrier and lead in the New Mexico contingent at the National Opening Ceremonies;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Ken Ladner, Mayor of the Town of Silver City, do hereby recognize the

### **"2019 NATIONAL SENIOR OLYMPICS TEAM"**

and congratulate each Olympian for their outstanding personal achievements in the New Mexico Senior Olympic Games and wish them great success in their upcoming competitions at the 2019 National Senior Olympics Games.

**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 11th day of June, 2019.

(Seal)

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Ken Ladner, Mayor  
Attest:

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Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk