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Friends and Neighbors,

Greetings from the 2025 Legislative Session! It is an honor for me to serve as your State Representative in Santa Fe. I am writing in the final days of the session to update you on the work we have done to improve the lives of all New Mexicans. This session has been the busiest and most productive in my time in the New Mexico House of Representatives. As the newly elected House Majority Whip, my colleagues have entrusted to me several key responsibilities, such as enhancing communications between party leadership, working to move key legislation, and marshalling support for the issues about which we all so deeply care. I also serve as a member of the House Judiciary Committee, which considers some of the most pressing and critical legislation that comes before the House. And as immediate past chair of the House Transportation, Public Works and Capital Improvements Committee, I remained as a rank and file member on that committee and carried several key pieces of legislation relating to transportation and infrastructure improvement.

Thanks to constituent feedback from voters like you, the issues dominating much of our discussion in the House centered generally around public safety and affordability. Within the first 30 days, we passed, and the Governor signed into law, a bipartisan comprehensive public safety package consisting of six different pieces of legislation. That package increased penalties for shooting threats, reformed criminal competency laws, established tougher penalties on fentanyl distribution, enhanced DWI enforcement, stiffened penalties for car theft, and prohibited devices that transform guns into fully automatic weapons. We coupled that legislation with a once-in-a-lifetime behavioral health package for which I was the House sponsor to create a \$1 billion trust fund to secure sustainable funding for statewide behavioral health initiatives. This legislation will ensure these services are available and easily accessible by all New Mexicans who need them. I also fought for and secured the final round of funding needed to complete the City of Albuquerque Real-Time Crime Monitoring Center.

In addition to the public safety package, many other bills I support are working their way through the Roundhouse to address inflation and affordability. Those bills include (1) the creation of a "Commission on Reduction of Grocery Costs" to address constantly rising food prices; (2) prohibiting usage of dynamic pricing of grocery items; (3) elimination of state income taxes in some circumstances for New Mexicans making less than \$70,000 a year; (4) protecting mobile-home owners from unscrupulous practices by landowners; and (5) prohibiting algorithmic discrimination of artificial intelligence in housing, financial services, insurance, and other critical consumer services.

My priority bill, HB 13, known as the "Power Up NM Act," passed the House and is now in the hands of the Senate. This bill will modernize and expand our power grid to support responsible economic development while also ensuring our public utilities plan for beneficial electrification standards to meet New Mexico's aggressive decarbonization goals. The Senate also is considering House Bill 145, another priority for me, which authorizes up to \$1.5 billion in transportation bond funding over the next 25 years to usher in the next generation of high-priority transportation and smart infrastructure projects throughout the state. I also sponsored HB 344, which excludes healthcare services and other related expenses as taxable services under the gross receipts tax code, the imposition of which is consistently reported as one of the main contributors to New Mexico's worsening access to healthcare crisis. In all, I was

the primary sponsor on over 15 bills during the 2025 legislative session, all of which can be reviewed at <https://www.NMLegis.gov>.

It is my honor to serve you as a constituent of House District 15. Thank you for continuing to trust me to represent you and your interests each year in Santa Fe. I value your opinion and always love to hear from you, either during the session or any other time of year. If you have ideas, comments, or questions, feel free to contact me at dayan.hochman-vigil@nmlegis.gov.

In the spirit of service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dayan', followed by a long horizontal flourish line.

Day Hochman-Vigil, State Representative, District 15