EXECUTIVE ORDER

REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO REDUCE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN ALBUQUERQUE

WHEREAS, according to a 2015 report by the New Mexico Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 7 men in New Mexico are victims of domestic violence in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, according to the New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence, domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women; and

WHEREAS, according to a study by Futures Without Violence, physical abuse during childhood increases the risk of future victimization among women and the risk of future perpetration of abuse by men more than two-fold; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 City Council passed Resolution 126-2003, which created a Sexual Assault Task Force to develop a plan to reduce adult and child sexual assault and in 2007 City Council passed Resolution 2007-85, which created a Sexual Violence Advisory Council to implement that plan; and

WHEREAS, a number of groups currently coordinate anti-domestic violence efforts, including coalitions and law enforcement-specific groups, but a gap still exists with respect to identifying actions that the City can take to prevent and address domestic violence;

WHEREAS, preventing and addressing domestic violence is a top priority for the Administration as part of our efforts to fight crime from all sides;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Timothy M. Keller, Mayor of the City of Albuquerque, by virtue of the Charter of the City of Albuquerque, do hereby ORDER:

- 1. The City hereby establishes a Domestic Violence Prevention Task Force.
- 2. The Task Force shall be provided administrative support from the Department of Family and Community Services.
- 3. The Mayor shall appoint the members of the Task Force to a term that expires one year after the date of appointment. The Mayor shall designate the Chair of the Task Force.
- 4. The Task Force shall have no fewer than 10 and no more than 15 members, to include at a minimum:
 - a. Three representatives from local or statewide Domestic Violence prevention agencies, including at least one that provides services in multiple languages;
 - b. One representative from the Children, Youth & Families Department of the State of New Mexico;
 - c. One representative from Bernalillo County government;
 - d. One representative from City Council or Council staff;

- e. One representative from each of the following City departments: Police, Family & Community Services, and Legal (including the Office of Equity & Inclusion and the Office of Civil Rights);
- f. One representative of the general public.
- 5. The Task Force shall represent the diversity of the City and include at least one person who identifies as a survivor of domestic violence.
- 6. The Task Force shall develop a set of specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and timely recommendations of actions the City can take to address domestic violence as follows:
 - a. Recommendations for how to improve cooperation among city departments and outside entities with respect to domestic violence issues;
 - b. Recommendations for changes in City policies and ordinances aimed at reducing instances of domestic violence; and
 - c. Recommendations for how to effectively increase services through grant programs and other new sources of funding.
- 7. The Task Force shall not discuss or request information regarding specific cases of domestic violence unless such data has been de-identified.
- 8. The Task Force shall issue a report to the administration no later than one year after the date of this Executive Order.
- 9. The Task Force may be asked to issue a second report within two years after the date of this Executive Order.
- 10. The Task Force shall automatically dissolve on the second anniversary of the date of this Executive Order unless expressly extended.

This Executive Order does not create any legal rights on the part of any person or entity and shall not be a basis for a challenge to rules or regulations or any other action or inaction by the City.

THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER supersedes any other previous orders, proclamations, or directives to the extent they are in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

Date