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State-Run Museums and Historic Sites to Close on Friday, October 23

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In accordance with revised public health directives, the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) will close its museums and historic sites to the public on Friday, October 23, until further notice. The safety and well-being of our employees and visitors is the DCA's foremost concern. We appreciate the ongoing support and understanding of the public. Please visit www.newmexicoculture.org for virtual visits, programs, and educational opportunities.

"The fight against COVID-19 has become our state's top priority," said DCA Cabinet Secretary Debra Garcia y Griego. "We are closing our facilities in response to new public health directives. The DCA is dedicated to sharing New Mexico's rich and diverse cultural heritage and encourages the public to visit our wealth of online resources. We look forward to welcoming the public back when deemed prudent by public health officials."

About the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs
Created in 1978 by the New Mexico Legislature, the Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) is New Mexico's cultural steward, charged with

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preserving and showcasing the state's cultural riches. With its eight museums, seven historic sites, arts, archaeology, historic preservation, and library programs, the DCA is one of the largest and most diverse state cultural agencies in the nation. Together, the facilities, programs, and services of the Department support a $5.6 billion cultural industry in New Mexico.

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