

# FINAL SENT TO NMDOT

## Official Scenic Historic Marker Program



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**Name of Marker:** Fabiola Cabeza de Baca Gilbert (1895–1991)

**County:** San Miguel

**Review:**  Original Text/Replacement Marker  Revised Text  
 Move of Existing Marker  New Marker

**NMDOT District:** 4

**NMDOT Highway:** At junction of NM 67 and NM 104

**Suggested Site for Installation:** At junction of NM 67 and NM 104, close to the former community La Liendre

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### Proposed Text:

Raised on a ranch at La Liendre, Fabiola received a degree from New Mexico Normal School. She worked as a rural teacher and an agricultural Home Extension agent. In the 1930s, she became a charter member of La Sociedad Folklorica. An author and teacher, she dedicated her life to preserving Hispanic traditions. In 1954, she wrote "We Fed Them Cactus," a book about growing up at La Liendre.

**Word Count:** 68

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**Previous Title and Text:**  N/A

**Researcher/author:** Dr. Thomas E. Chavez

**Source(s):** Fabiola Cabeza de Baca Gilbert: *We Fed Them Cactus*; *The Good Life*; *Historic Cookery*.

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Dr. Buchanan, Multicultural Library Services and Sources, Fall 1996

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"My Memories of Fabiola C de Baca Gilbert", Adelina Ortiz de Hill. *Rancho Pancho. Nuestras Mujeres*, pg 44-46

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**CPRC Comments:** No

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