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Albuquerque, New Mexico – April 23, 2024 - The Archaeological Conservancy has named Anne Lowe as its new President and Chief Executive Officer. A native of northern Michigan, Ms. Lowe brings more than 25 years of experience in land preservation and non-profit management to the Conservancy. She has worked for organizations including the Little Traverse Conservancy (Michigan), Western Reserve Land Conservancy (Ohio), Minnesota Land Trust, Shasta Land Trust (California), and the Town of Breckenridge (Colorado). She has also served on various boards including the Colorado Open Space Alliance, the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, the Sierra Cascade Land Trust Council (California), and the American Friends of Canadian Conservation. Ms. Lowe holds an Executive Master of Public Administration (MPA) from the University of Colorado, Denver and B.A. and B.M. degrees from Alma College, summa cum laude.

“I’m interested in serving as President of The Archaeological Conservancy to further advance its mission, and to accelerate the pace of conservation of archaeological sites and areas of cultural importance,” Ms. Lowe said. According to Conservancy Board Chair Gordon Wilson, “We are impressed with her passion for preservation of archaeological sites, her energy, and her previous land conservation experiences. We look forward to the continuance of the success of The Archaeological Conservancy and the support of its many members.”

Ms. Lowe will replace Mark Michel, a founder of the Conservancy and its President since its opening in 1980. Mr. Michel is retiring in New Mexico. “It has been a fantastic honor to lead this organization in its mission of preserving endangered archaeological sites and establishing nearly 600 archaeological preserves in 45 states. With the support of an extraordinary, dedicated staff, we have built a solid record of accomplishment,” Mr. Michel said. “My thanks to our Board, our staff, our members and our volunteers. I have no doubt that Ms. Lowe will lead the organization to new levels of achievement in the years to come.”

Lowe’s tenure begins June 1st. For more information about The Archaeological Conservancy, visit www.archaeologicalconservancy.org.

About The Archaeological Conservancy

The Archaeological Conservancy, established in 1980, is the only national non-profit organization dedicated to acquiring and preserving the best of our nation's remaining archaeological sites. Based in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the Conservancy also operates regional offices in Mississippi, Maryland, Wisconsin, and Nevada. The Conservancy has preserved over 585 sites across the nation.