



**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - _____

**A RESOLUTION
PROVIDING SALARY INCREASES FOR ELECTED SANTA FE COUNTY
OFFICIALS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-12.3(A)(2018), the “majority of a board of county commissioners may provide for salary increases for elected county officials”; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County (County) is a Class A County under NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-1(A)(2018); and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Legislature set forth the salaries of elected officials of a Class A County at NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-4 (2018) as follows:

- A. county commissioners, thirty-nine thousand one hundred six dollars (39,106) each;
- B. treasurer, eighty-six thousand six hundred twenty-six dollars (\$86,626);
- C. assessor, eighty-six thousand six hundred twenty-six dollars (\$86,626);
- D. sheriff, ninety thousand three hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$90,338);
- E. county clerk, eighty-six thousand six hundred twenty-six dollars (\$86,626) and
- F. probate judge, thirty-eight thousand one hundred fourteen dollars (\$38,114); and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners (Board) approved the salaries set forth in NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-4 for Santa Fe County elected officials by adopting Resolution 2018-52, A Resolution Providing Salary Increases for Elected Santa Fe County Officials; and

WHEREAS, in the November 5, 2024, general election, New Mexico voters approved Constitutional Amendment 4, which amended Article 10, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of New Mexico (Article 10, Section 1) to transfers the authority to set salaries for county officials from the state legislature to local boards of county commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Article 10, Section 1 now provides:

“The legislature shall classify the counties of the state. No county officer shall receive any fees or emoluments other than an annual salary, as established by the board of county commissioners. All fees collected by a county official shall be paid into the treasury of the county. “

WHEREAS, a limitation on the authority of a board of county commissioners to set the salaries of county elected officials is set forth at NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-12.3(B), which provides that “a salary increase shall not take effect until the first day of the term of an elected county official who takes office after the date that salary increase is approved”; and

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