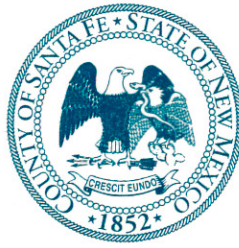


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**DATE:** April 5, 2013

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**VIA:** Katherine Miller, County Manager

**FROM:**  Chris M. Barela, Constituent Service Liaison District 3

**RE:** Santa Fe County Proclamation to celebrate the month of April 2013 as "Donate Life Month"

*Board of County Commission meeting April 9, 2013*

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**BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY:**

*National Donate Life Month provides an opportunity to honor the generosity of New Mexicans who have saved the lives of others through their gift of organ, eye or tissue donation.*

**REQUEST ACTION:**

*Commissioner Robert A. Anaya respectfully request that the Board of Santa Fe County Commissioners recognize April 2013 as "Donate Life Month."*

*Santa Fe County Proclamation*  
**TO CELEBRATE THE MONTH OF APRIL 2013 AS  
"DONATE LIFE MONTH"**

**WHEREAS**, National Donate Life Month provides an opportunity to honor the generosity of New Mexicans who have saved the lives of others through their gift of organ, eye or tissue donation; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 120,000 men, women and children, including 715 New Mexicans, are now awaiting an organ transplant on the national organ transplant list, and over one-million Americans undergo tissue transplants each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the number of patients in need of life-saving transplants is much greater than the number of available donations, an average of 18 people die each day from lack of available organs for transplants, and over 7,000 people on the national organ transplant waiting list died last year; and

**WHEREAS**, one individual's decision to be a donor can save up to nine patients in need of an organ transplant and enhance the lives of up to 50 people in need of a tissue transplant; and

**WHEREAS**, New Mexicans are generous, compassionate people, willing to help others in need and are urged to register as organ, eye or tissue donors on their driver's license, ID card or online at [www.nmdonor.org](http://www.nmdonor.org); and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE SANTA FE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS, DO HEREBY RECOGNIZE APRIL 2013 AS:**

***"DONATE LIFE MONTH"***

***APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED, ON THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2013.***

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Commissioner, District 4

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

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Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney

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Geraldine Salazar - County Clerk