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This Inter-Governmental Summit was convened at approximately 10:15 a.m. by Santa Fe County Commission Chairman, in the Commission Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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County Commissioners:

Commissioner(s) Excused:

None

Commissioner Paul Duran, Chairman Commissioner Marcos Trujillo, Vice Chairman Commissioner Jack Sullivan Commissioner Javier Gonzales [late arrival] Commissioner Paul Campos [late arrival]

Other Elected County Officials:

Becky Bustamante, County Clerk

County Staff:

Samuel Montoya, County Manager
Steve Kopelman, County Attorney
Corky Ojinaga, Resource Development Director
James Lujan, Public Works Director
Rudy Garcia, Policy Analyst
Erle Wright, GIS Department
Agnus Lopez, MIS Director
Helen Quintana, Personnel Director
Roman Abeyta, Deputy Land Use Administrator

Other Elected Officials and Dignitaries:

Governor Regis Pecos, Cochiti Pueblo Lt. Gov. George Rivera, Pojoaque Pueblo Orando Romero, Pojoaque Pueblo Governor Wilfred Garcia, San Juan Pueblo Lt. Gov. Pete Cata, San Juan Pueblo Jerry Swazo, Tesuque Perry Martinez, San Ildefonso Pueblo Lt. Gov. Charles Suazo, Santa Clara Lt. Gov. Leonard Montoya, San Juan Pueblo Benny Atencio, Santo Domingo

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OPENING REMARKS

CHAIRMAN DURAN: I'd like to thank all of you that are attending today. I'd like to thank our distinguished guests, the Honorable Governors and Lieutenant Governors, the tribal elders and everyone else that felt that this was an important occasion to join us today. We believe it is a momentous occasion and look forward to putting together a plan, a statement of policies and principles, that will provide us with the foundation for future cooperation with one another in the future. Again, I'd like to thank you all for joining us.

Invocations were given by Father José from the Cathedral and Governor Regis Pecos from Cochiti Pueblo.

GOVERNOR REGIS PECOS: On behalf of the members of the Tribal Council here and the Governor's Office we give thanks this morning to members of the Commission, to the respective Pueblo Governors and the representatives from the respective Pueblo communities in what is a historic culmination of the vision that was articulated that we have now, all of us, reached a point in this journey through life, that we would all be blessed to be brought together, to be engaged in a respectful dialogue to develop and establish a common agenda for the sake of the children and for the sake of the people, and that we would be blessed with the wisdom and the direction of members of the Commission, the respective Governors, the respective staff who dedicated time and effort to bring this historic culmination in this gathering here today.

We also give thanks for having been brought together to in fact come to a realization that who we are today is a result of the union between the peoples many, many years ago, and that who we are is a result of that cultural communion that took place and we also give thanks here today that we would come together in such a way that we would all dedicate our lives and our work and our efforts to improve the quality of life and to maintain that common vision that all that we do is for the sake of the children and the people of our respective communities, because after all, we are all part of the same family. With that, we give thanks to the Creator for giving us this opportunity here today to celebrate who we are and what we have achieved through much hard work.

MR. MONTOYA: Thank you, Governor. Mr. Chairman, in your packet, Governors, in your packets today on the agenda that has been drafted for today's meeting, we wanted to discuss with you the efforts of Summits I and II and bring us to the culmination today of discussing the statement of policies and principles which incorporate the direction and framework, the process, for governments, be it local, be it tribal, that we have a concerted

effort put forth to work on mutual issues that affect all of our citizenry.

Mr. Chairman, in relation to the reconciliation and healing of the past, I think it's important, Mr. Chairman, to recall prior days and think about the issues that have come before us as a community. We have come to an understanding that in the past, there have been some difficult times between our cultures for whatever particular purpose, might have come before us in those days. It is important now to come together and heal from the difficulties of the past and look to a strong and progressive future. The issues that have come before our country since the September 11th tragedy I think underscore the fact that we as a community need to work in a concerted effort, a joint effort, to improve the quality of life of all citizens and in particular, those that reside in and around Santa Fe County.

Mr. Chairman, we began this initiative back in March of this particular year and our intention was to reach out to the tribal governments surrounding Santa Fe County to say two things: One, it is time for us to come back together and work in a collaborative way to improve the quality of life for our people, and second, we need to make clear that we understand that some of the issues that are before us are complex but that we have the desire and the intent to move together to make a better future for our constituents. The understanding that has been put forth needs to be underscored and I think needs to be appreciated by all of the people of this community, simply because it is the right thing to do. And we honor the Board of County Commissioners for their vision, the Governors and Lieutenant Governors that are here today or have sent representatives to this meeting.

Mr. Chairman, the cultural communion that was mentioned by Governor Pecos I think is the common bond that brings us to the table today. We understand as governments, either the tribal sovereign governments and/or the local governments, be it City government here in Santa Fe or County government, that it is important to have a common vision. And that to achieve these common goals we must communicate, and that is the reasoning behind the principles that have been brought before all of our policy makers today. We want to begin this new millennium with a new initiative, an extending of our hand to our neighbors and saying that it is about time that we have clarity of goal and that we work together to achieve it.

Mr. Chairman, Governors, Lt. Governors, at this point in time we would like to ask that you focus on the statement of principles and policy that are in your packet. I would like to call upon Governor Pecos to walk us through the particular instrument and then we would like to have the Governors and the County Commissioners in an alternative form make comments relative to the content of the principles. So, Mr. Chairman, with that, I would like to call upon Governor Pecos. I want to thank the Governors and the Commissioners for having given myself and Governor Pecos the honor of co-chairing this initiative, bringing this instrument before you. It has been indeed an honor to work on this process. Governor Pecos.

GOVERNOR REGIS PECOS: Honorable members of the Commission and Honorable Governors and tribal representatives, the themes that Mr. Montoya just reviewed were very important themes in the dialogue and the work that followed because in that initial summit we had extensive time for reflection about the past and I believe that we collectively articulated the need, not to forget the past, but to use the past as a way to learn what must not be repeated in the treatment of one another. Celebrating our cultural communion is a very significant part in coming together as we lay the past to rest with the kind of respect that celebrates that who we are today is a result of that union among people, establishing common ground, I believe was well articulate by all of the Pueblo Governors, their respective staffs,

representatives from the Indian Health Service, representatives from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, representatives from your respective County Commission offices, members and representatives from our New Mexico congressional delegation, state officials and others that the time is now that we develop a common agenda based on common issues and look at ways in which we develop goals and objectives using the theme of sharing responsibilities to improve the quality of life.

And through this dialogue, in the second summit, we were then able to give the kind of energy and focus to articulating this common vision that we collectively contributed to give rise to the framework of what will be read very shortly. This framework as we were directed after the first summit, and I want to give special thanks at this point to a young lady from Cochiti who is a student at Princeton University in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Adé Romero, for her work in reviewing, researching, all of the existing documents that represented the policy on government to government relations that evolved and was issued by executive order by the President of the United States, by the policies governing the same framework issued by the Department of Justice, the government to government policy statement issued by the Department of Interior, the policy on consultation that as you look at the definitions, peace in this document came from the many exhaustive sessions with representatives from the respective Indian Nations across the country, articulating what those definitions should be in their relationship with critical issues with the Bureau of Indian Affairs as well as with the Indian Health Service units.

And so as we did this extensive review of documents stemming from the White House executive order, the Department of Interior, Department of Justice, to New Mexico's own statement of policies and principles guiding government to government relations, we then brought before you in the second summit, the beginnings of the framework of establishing an defining a new era of relations. And so here it is today, before all of us, the product of your collective contributions and many who aren't here that gives rise and gives birth today in defining this new era of relations, member of the Santa Fe County Board of Commissioners, respective, and Honorable Governors and tribal representatives and friends in the audience. I'm going to go through this document, read this document as our presentation to all of you here today. The statement of principle and policies is built and fostered on the principles of working in the spirit of cooperation.

The Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County, representing the citizens of Santa Fe County, acknowledge and respect the sovereignty of the Indian Nations located in New Mexico and more specifically, those nations located within Santa Fe County and its surrounding region. The Indian Nations located within this region, which includes the Pueblos of Santa Clara, San Juan, Pojoaque, Tesuque, Cochiti, San Ildefonso, Santo Domingo and Nambé, acknowledge and respect the sovereignty of the state and its political subdivisions and more specifically, Santa Fe County government. Each party to this Statement of Principles and Policy recognizes the rightful power of the other to exist and to govern within their respective jurisdiction. The parties share a desire for an understanding and acceptance between the County, the Indian Nations that embody government to government relationships, mutual respect as governments, and open communications.

The members of each of the Indian Nations in New Mexico are residents of the state, possessing all the privileges and rights afforded to any state resident consistent with law.

The executors of this document agree that there are mutual issues and problems facing

the parties to this statement. The parties agree that a procedure setting out a cooperative and joint effort shall be implemented to address the issues identified by the parties.

Issues such as taxation, water rights, water delivery, education, health, natural resources, land use, roads, transportation, utilities, easements, wastewater, open space, solid waste/environmental issues, public safety and delivery of County services to the members of Indian Nations in Santa Fe County have caused disagreements and disputes among the parties because of the lack of definition and communication.

Coordination, communication, consultation and cooperation between the Indian Nations and the County will improve the quality of life for residents of this county.

It is hereby agreed by the Governors of the Pueblos of Santa Clara, San Juan, Pojoaque, Tesuque, Cochiti, San Ildefonso, Santo Domingo, Nambé and the members of the Santa Fe County Board of Commissioners that:

- A. The interactions of the County and the above-mentioned Indian Nations shall be predicated on a government to government relationship.
- B. The relationship will be carried forward in a spirit of cooperation, coordination, open communication, consultation, good will and good faith.
- C. The parties of this statement agree to meet together on a regular basis to ensure that the intent of this statement is carried out.
- D. The parties agree to consider and promote regional solutions to these issues.
- E. The parties will strive to achieve open sharing of information, objectives, and the desired outcomes of goals.
- F. Issues of mutual concern of the parties shall be addressed through the following structure:
 - 1. The parties to this statement shall do all things necessary and proper to inform and direct their respective governments to implement the provisions and the intent of this statement.
 - 2. The leader of each Indian Nation and the Chairman of the County Commission will designate respective staff to conduct discussions and negotiations.
 - 3. The appropriate department, office, agency, division or other official representatives of the County and the Indian Nations shall conduct initial discussions and negotiations.
 - 4. Governmental leaders shall be kept informed by the respective representatives of the progress of these discussions/negotiations and shall give direction as needed to resolve conflicts at the earliest possible time.
 - 5. The County Attorney and the Attorney General or legal offices of each Indian Nation shall consult with one another prior to the filing of any litigation involving the County and any other party to this statement.

Be it further agreed that the following definitions be utilized to further advance the collaborative efforts of consultation and communications between the parties:

Consultation is an enhanced form of communication that emphasizes trust and respect. It is a shared responsibility that allows an open and free exchange of information and opinion among parties that leads to mutual understanding. Consultation is integral for a process that will result in collaboration and joint decision-making. Consultation between the County and the Indian Nations and their respective Pueblo Governors is an endeavor which is a unique government to government process. In this government to government process, the goal is to

reach consensus for decision-making.

Participation: Participation is an ongoing activity that allows all interested parties to engage one another through consultation, negotiation, compromise and problem-solving to reach a desired outcome.

Conflict resolution: While the intent of this statement is to provide a specific process to facilitate the ability to solve problems, it will not likely result in a resolution of all issues. Therefore, in order to strengthen the government to government relationship, every effort will be made in order to come to a mutual resolve to the myriad of possible potential issues. These efforts can include a non-binding mediator or facilitator as a tool for improved consultation, negotiation and communication.

Introduced and discussed and executed this 20th day of November in open session in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Members of the Board of County Commissioners, Honorable Governors, tribal representatives, you've just heard the culmination of all of your collective efforts, hard work, wisdom, and vision in this culmination of this historic document. And I too, on behalf of Cochiti want to thank the Board of County Commissioners, to the Pueblo Governors for your trust and confidence in allowing such a wonderful and fine gentleman in your director, Mr. Sam Montoya to have had the honor and the privilege to work with him.

And I know in just a few days, Mr. Montoya will leave his capacity here but I believe that all of us will strongly agree that as he moves on, he has left the foundation and the framework within which all of us from our respective Pueblo Nations, with the County can continue to work on the many issues using this document, this framework that has been your collective contribution as has been presented to all of you. So on behalf of my tribal council of Cochiti I thank members of the Board of County Commissioners and the Pueblo Governors. And at this time want to acknowledge Governor Garcia, Lt. Governors from the Pueblo of San Juan for joining us this morning. Welcome.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, Governors and Lt. Governors, we would at this point in the presentation like to call upon the respected members of the County Commission and also the Honorable Governors and Lt. Governors that are here to please make statements relative to the policy instrument that has been placed before you. And after we have heard from all of the respective Commissioners and tribal governments, then Mr. Chairman, we would ask that there be an official motion to adopt the principles and policy and that then we would follow to have the document fully executed by signatures of those here present.

Mr. Chairman, to begin this dialogue on the contents of the statement of policy, we would like to call upon the Honorable Governor of San Ildefonso Pueblo, Governor Martinez.

GOVERNOR PERRY MARTINEZ: [Tewa greeting] Good morning, Honorable Governors, Lieutenants, guests, Honorable Commission, Sam Montoya. It's a pleasure to be here this morning and we talk about the statements of principles and policy, I think it's something that has been discussed by prior administrations, prior Commissioners and I think it's taken us time to come to this point but I'm very delighted that we have come to this point based on initial summits that the County has conducted and to see something come to fruition and something of this nature, it's a good feeling.

And it's good to be part of this and I think this starts the future for both County's and tribal governments as we move forward. I kind of kid around sometimes but I tell Sam

Montoya, what are we fighting about today, but it's meant in a gesture that we have reached that friendship and we have reached that communication and understanding that there are issues that we need to discuss and issues that are going to be out there that we are going to have difficulties, but we need to overcome that for the betterment of our community as we move forward. And I think to have something like this shows the commitment on behalf of the County and the County Commissioners of how we move forward, that there is a process in place that outlines how we're going to deal one government to another and as we move forward, I hope that all tribes will come to the table where this may be something that sets the future for the rest of the county governments throughout New Mexico to follow because there are 19 Pueblos and two tribes and the Navajo Nation within New Mexico. I think that this is something that sets the tone of how we approach communications in the future.

And as they mentioned, there's a whole array of issues that we as one government need to discuss as we move forward into the future and if we cannot resolve an issue here, maybe the future generations can resolve those issues as we move forward. But I just want to commend Governor Pecos and Sam Montoya for getting this document together and I would encourage the County Commissioners to move forward on this document and I'm here representing the Pueblo of San Ildefonso, my people to sign on this document here today. And I just want to thank you. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, if we could call upon Chairman Duran for your comments and then we'll move on to one of the other Governors.

CHAIRMAN DURAN: Thank you, Sam. Again, I'd like to thank all of you for joining us today. I think today marks a special day for all of us. We had reached a critical time in history where we are acknowledging to one another that we have similar goals. That the Indian Nation and the residents of Santa Fe County need to work with one another in order to maintain a sustainable community for both of our people. I'm very honored to be here today with all of you. I make this commitment to you not lightly. From my heart, I wanted you to know that I will do whatever I can to bring our differences together so that we can work in peace with one another and do the best for our community and with God as our guide, I'm sure we can do it. Thank you very much.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon the tribal representative from Tesuque Pueblo.

[Commissioner Gonzales joins the proceedings]

JERRY SUAZO: Good morning. My name is Jerry Suazo. I'm a tribal council member. The Governor can't be here or the Lt. Governor so I'm here representing them. The Pueblo of Tesuque welcomes this document. It's an immediate document that will help the Pueblo of Tesuque and the other Pueblos to work with Santa Fe County. And it develops a framework that we can use. This has been needed all this time because there was no—going back to Tesuque, we're right next to Santa Fe and there's a lot of issues that we become involved in. Sometimes we don't agree or we don't—we turn off each other. But I think in this document is a basis for us to develop what the document says about communicating and working together.

With Tesuque, I think most of them would agree with me that this is a welcome document. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon Commissioner Jack Sullivan.

COMMISSIONER SULLIVAN: I'd like to reiterate what has been said already in terms of the need and our progress that we've made in cooperation between the Pueblos and the

County. We share common problems and common aspirations. I just wanted to add to the dialogue that we've already taken the direction from our previous summits which were held in March and in June to begin this cooperation both at the staff and at the elected official level. In September we were honored by visits from representatives from two of the Pueblos, Santa Clara and San Ildefonso, who had issues that they wanted to discuss with us concerning receiving our support for legislation to transfer certain public domain lands to the Pueblos of Santa Clara and San Ildefonso.

We reviewed that with them and we passed a Resolution, No. 2001-141, which stated quite briefly that Whereas the County of Santa Fe is a political subdivision of the state of New Mexico authorized to act through its duly elected Commission; and whereas the two Pueblos have requested the United States to hold certain lands in trust which are now administered by the federal Bureau of Land Management and which the Bureau of Land Management has identified for disposal; whereas these lands, addressed in the proposed legislation are a part of the aboriginal lands of each Pueblo, the aboriginal title to which the Indian Claims Commission determined had not been extinguished by the United States; and whereas the lands described in the proposed legislation are not accessible by public road and share boundaries with current Pueblo lands; and whereas the lands will continue to be eligible federal payments in lieu of taxes; whereas the two Pueblos have requested official support for the proposed legislation; and whereas the County wishes to support this request by Pueblo governments, holding lands within the exterior boundaries of the County. Now, therefore be it resolved that the County of Santa Fe hereby supports the proposed legislation to transfer to the Pueblos of Santa Clara and San Ildefonso certain public domain lands within a tract of approximately 4,484 acres situated within Sections 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34 and 35, Township 20 North, Range 7 East and Sections 19 and 30, Township 20 North, Range 8 East and declared held by the United States in trust for the Pueblos of Santa Clara and San Ildefonso respectively. Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be provided to the Pueblos of San Ildefonso and Santa Clara as well as Representative Tom Udall and Senator Jeff Bingaman, Senator Pete Domenici and that copies of the resolution may be used by these parties and legislators to support enactment of the proposed lands to transfer legislation, signed by Paul Duran, Chairman, Santa Fe County Board of Commissioners.

So at this time I'd like to complete that loop and give copies of these two resolutions to the representatives who are here today. Of course Governor Perry Martinez and Lt. Governor Charles Suazo.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon Lt. Governor George Rivera, Pojoaque Pueblo.

LT. GOV. GEORGE RIVERA: Good morning to everybody, Santa Fe County Commissioners, Governors, everybody here present. Don't have much to say in the way of a speech. That's how good of a job Sam has been doing these last couple years. He's been working with the Pueblo of Pojoaque on many of our issues that we share in the Pojoaque Valley with the Indian and non-Indian and I'd like to let you know as a Commission that Sam has done an excellent job in working in areas of public works and trespasses and easements and it's been a very friendly relationship. It hasn't always been that way in the past.

In the past there's been a lot of roadblocks and people not working together and attempting to see who could get the upper hand on the other but we've come together over these last couple of years and done a good job on the issues and we're headed in that direction. And I also wanted to say that the County staff as well has been very diligent in their work and very helpful and we look

at continuing that kind of relationship with the Santa Fe County and our door is always open for communication and resolving our issues. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon County Commissioner Marcos Trujillo. COMMISSIONER TRUJILLO: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, honorable guests, Governors, County Commissioners. This is a dream come true for me. The Commission has earmarked this congruence of communication and agreement for a very long time, especially in light of what's going on in the world today, there is no room for divisiveness or factionalism. Our citizens are putting their lives on the line to preserve liberty and freedom. This historic moment shows that we are willing to dissolve territorial barriers and open lines of communication with a focus of augmenting the quality of life for all of the members of our communities.

I am hopeful that the execution of this agreement will be the cornerstone of a relationship whose long-term goal is to mutually address the most important issues that affect our communities: roads, rights-of-way, utilities, water, liquid waste and a myriad of other issues whose timeliness permeates the very soul and survival of our communities. This agreement shows that it is not a matter that we should work together, but that it is a matter that we must work together to give impetus to the appropriate quality of life for all of us. Thank you very much, Governors and I look forward to working with you and we'll make this a better place to live in. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon the Honorable Governor of San Juan Pueblo, Governor Garcia.

GOVERNOR WILFRED GARCIA: Good morning everybody, and with all due respect, I guess the first thing to do is to apologize for arriving late but we start the morning on sound ground and before you know it, it starts shaking a little bit, so you have to stay and address those issues as well before you go on, so it's good to see all of you and we're here, I believe, and I want to commend Governor Pecos and Governor Martinez who have been there at the forefront and the County Commission for putting this in place today because we're all here on Mother Earth's back and we all are created by the same Creator and we all need to be as open-minded as we can to give each other that helping hand that we haven't been able to do.

So maybe this year might be the year that this is going to happen, and apparently it has and the Pueblo of San Juan, my lieutenants, we support this endeavor and as long as we don't do like some other organizations do, sometimes we put something in place, then down the road for whatever reason they forget that we signed a document like this. And then it gets put behind. So from one entity to the next, I think that we're all here from our heart this morning and it's good to see a good delegation from Cochiti and in fact my dad's here from Cochiti, and Dad, good morning.

So it's important and those kinds of things and the County Commission and the audience, whoever's all here, you're at a good place this morning and I believe that the spirits allowed this to happen and the Creator allowed this to happen so we will be as supportive as we can, not forgetting how we got here. Thank you very much.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon Commissioner Javier Gonzales.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Good morning, Honorable Governors,

Honorable Lt. Governors. Thank you very much for being with us today. Let me just reiterate what's been said here today by Commissioner Trujillo that this truly is a wonderful dream to be here sitting with the Pueblos. Let me commit to you, certainly, I know that in my discussions with the Commission that what we bring to this relationship first and foremost is our respect at the table for your sovereign status and for the roles that each of you play in being leaders in your own tribes,

in your own Pueblos.

We bring a sense of willingness to work collectively for that common goal of creating a wonderful quality of life, wonderful opportunity for the residents of our county. We bring a commitment to treasure and value our historical and cultural traditions and assure that those traditions remain alive, they remain vibrant, they continue to define who we are and who we've been and where we are going. And I think that collectively, we have the opportunity to make sure that our children are raised in an environment where they will be afforded wonderful opportunities, not only through the leadership that you're providing within your Pueblos, but also hopefully through the leadership that we can provide at this County to assure that they can enjoy an incredible life.

As Commissioner Trujillo indicated, in today's environment, things have changed. Our communities feel less secure. We feel a little bit more vulnerable and it's important that as community leaders that we secure that safety net, that we assure that our communities are protected and that most importantly, the traditions of the past remain the foundation for how we move forward. So I want to say thank you, Honorable Governors and Honorable Lt. Governors for your commitment to work with us because it is through your willingness to share in the responsibility, to share in the dialogue that we will be able to better serve our communities and our constituents and I commend you for your leadership in your Pueblos and we thank you for being here today. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to call upon the Lt. Governor from Santa Clara Pueblo. LT. GOVERNOR CHARLIE SUAZO: I'd like to say good morning to everybody, Governors, Commission. The Governor couldn't make it. He has a little problem at home also so he had to stay home and correct the problem that we had. But I'd like to see this keep on going because communication is the most important thing. Without communication, we're not going to solve any problems. We'll find ourselves in court. Monies that we can use for our tribal members or for our people. We have to start realizing we are making the attorneys very rich with the problems that we can solve if there's communication between tribes and governments.

Communication, without communication, nothing is going to work out. Everything is going to be in courtrooms. As brothers and sisters, we need to look at each other and work as a team to correct all the problems that we face in our future, because this is for our kids, our grandkids that are going to come. We have a lot of issues that need to be looked at. Our biggest problem is our water rights. That's not only the County of Santa Fe, City of Española, we're facing a big problem, how to deal with it and where we're going to go from there. We need to concentrate on issues that will help our people and go forward instead of trying to pull ourselves backwards. As we work as a team I think we can do that.

It's important. If there's more people involved in trying to solve some of the problems that we have in the communities, we can work better as a team than anything else. Instead of fighting, let's work as brothers and sisters. Thank you very much.

MR. MONTOYA: I'd like to point out, ladies and gentlemen, that the Governor from Santo Domingo and Nambé Pueblo were not able to make this portion of the meeting, but the will join us to break bread at noon at the Eldorado. I also want to point out that Commissioner Campos had a previous engagement and he indicated that he would try to be here before the closure of the actual meeting, but if we close prior to his presence he will join us for lunch as well.

I wanted to also take a moment to thank some very important people that have been so kind in supporting this initiative and also underwriting some of the expenses relative to the first two

summits and to support also today's luncheon. I'd like to acknowledge anyone that is here from the Bureau of Land Management. If there is a representative here from the Bureau of Land Management, we'd like you to please stand. I'm not sure if anyone's here today. But I would also like to thank Los Alamos National Laboratory, Mr. Cordova, who is representing the laboratory. Mr. Cordova, please stand. I want to thank you for your commitment and your support. Thank you very much.

I also want to point out that we received a grant from the McCune Foundation prior to us beginning the summit process. We submitted a grant to the McCune Foundation telling them that our initial intent was to open and strengthen the lines of communication with our tribal neighbors and that we needed some support to document these meetings, to bring us together and to underwrite the necessary materials that were required. And they were very kind to fund our process and that process will continue in the future as we engage and execute this document today. So I wanted to thank our underwriters and we really appreciate all of their support.

Also on behalf of the Governors here, the Lt. Governors, and the County Commissioners, we want to thank a young lady that has been a great asset to myself and to Governor Pecos in constructing this instrument, Ms. Adé Romero, who is attending Princeton and is going to be one of our brightest stars when she comes home to contribute and appreciate her contribution. Adé, we have a small gift of our appreciation for you if you'd please come and receive that on behalf of all of the Governors and the County Commissioners.

ADE ROMERO: This is probably the first real document that I ever got to work on and I want to thank Sam and Governor Pecos for giving me this opportunity to work with all of you and I think this will be one of the best things that I can take back to Princeton with me as an experience and I can't wait to come back home after I graduate. Thanks.

MR. MONTOYA: Governors, Lt. Governors, I'd also like to acknowledge the strong support that we have received from the community. I want to ask those representatives that are here from either Senator Bingaman's office, Senator Domenici's office, Congressman Udall, for being so supportive. I know Mr. Brunner is here representing Senator Bingaman. Would you please come forth and say a few words? Thank you, Terry.

TERRY BRUNNER: Thank you, Sam. I should say on behalf of Senator Bingaman, he regrets that he couldn't be here today, but he certainly is pleased to see the progress that's been made between our tribal communities and the County of Santa Fe and we sincerely hope that this is the beginning of a truly productive relationship that as all have echoed here before, that benefits the community as a whole. So on behalf of the congressional delegation, we sincerely wish you the best and congratulate you on this historic day.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, in closing, we ask that the Commissioners take the appropriate action on this instrument. We also wanted to thank a lot of the private sector, people that have been so supportive, including the representatives from PNM and other people in the room. Also, I want to thank the press for helping us to convey the message that is so important that we must communicate and collaborate for us to improve the quality of life in our community. We want to thank them for being here, first of all, and secondly, for conveying that message on behalf of what the Governors and the Board of County Commissioners are doing today, on behalf of all the citizens of this county.

Mr. Chairman, with that, it is my honor and I would call upon Governor Pecos as well, to recommend to you that the Statement of Principles and Policy be adopted by the Board of County Commissioners officially, and then that if the Commissioners act to endorse this recommendations,

that then we ask the Honorable Governors to sign and execute this agreement between Santa Fe County and those tribes here today.

COMMISSIONER TRUJILLO: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN DURAN: Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER TRUJILLO: Move for approval of—is this a resolution? Do we adopt it as a resolution?

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Trujillo, we would adopt it as a Statement of Principles of Policy as we have before you.

[Commissioner Campos joins the proceedings.]

COMMISSIONER TRUJILLO: I move for approval then of the Statement of Principles and Policy, as presented by staff and the tribal governments.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES: Second.

CHAIRMAN DURAN: There's a motion and a second. Any further discussion? Those in favor signify by saying "aye." [Unanimous] Opposed? Motion carries.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, thank you very much. Before we proceed to actually execute the instrument, I'd like to call upon Commissioner Campos. I'm sorry to put you on the spot. He just walked in the door, but Commissioner Campos, we've been asking the Governors and the members of the Board of County Commissioners to make a comment about the content and the intent of the Statement that has now been adopted officially by the Board.

COMMISSIONER CAMPOS: Thank you, Sam. My feeling is that this is a great place to start. We're talking, we're beginning to communicate. We have a mechanism to bring up points that we have concerns about, so communication will certainly be improved greatly. We even have mediation. The mediation is a step that I think will help us work together more effectively and understand our positions. I thought that since you've started this Sam that this gathering today is very, very important.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, we'd like to ask Mr. Garcia to bring up the document and then ask that if you'd look at the last page of the statement, that you would please come in that respective order to sign on the document and we'll bring the document here to this podium and try to record each signature with a photograph. So we'd like to call upon Governor Martinez to please come forth.

Lt. Governor from Santa Clara.

Governor Garcia, San Juan.

GOVERNOR GARCIA: With everyone's blessings, I will sign.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Duran.

CHAIRMAN DURAN: I am truly honored.

MR. MONTOYA: Commissioner Trujillo.

COMMISSIONER TRUJILLO: During this Thanksgiving holiday may we give thanks to this momentous of all momentous occasions. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: Commissioner Gonzales.

Lt. Governor Rivera, on behalf of Pojoaque Pueblo.

The Councilor from Tesuque Pueblo.

MR. SUAZO: For Tesuque, I welcome signing this document. It's a good day.

MR. MONTOYA: Governor Pecos.

GOVERNOR PECOS: As I sign, I want members of our tribal council who are

here with me today to please stand. And at this time, I want to thank members of the council for allowing me as much time as it took to engage with the Board of County Commissioners, your wonderful director, and I want to say at this time to the Board of County Commissioners, I want to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Rudy Garcia and to let you know that for all the days and times that I've walked through the doors here at your offices, just to say how honored I always was to be treated so respectful by your entire staff and I just want to express my appreciation, because I think it reflects the wisdom and the vision of the Board of County Commissioners and I just want the public to know what a great feeling it is to be welcome in the manner that I have been, the many days and months to bring this to this culmination here today. But my special thanks to members of the council here today for Cochiti Pueblo.

MR. MONTOYA: Commissioner Campos. Commissioner Sullivan. COMMISSIONER SULLIVAN: You've honored me by allowing me to be the last to sign this document and conclude our deliberations and our efforts today and I appreciate that honor.

MR. MONTOYA: The two remaining signatures will be requested at the luncheon and we will have a complete and totally executed document after those two signatures.

Mr. Chairman, that concludes the business of today's special meeting. We'd like to call upon Governor Garcia from San Juan to do the benediction and to close this momentous meeting.

Mr. Chairman, before the closing, I would like to acknowledge the attendance of Mr. Bennie Atencio from Santo Domingo who has been such an advocate for this instrument.

BENEDICTION

A closing benediction was given by Governor Wilfred Garcia.

BENNIE ATENCIO: For those of you who do not know me, my name is Bennie Atencio from Santo Domingo Pueblo. I want you to know, it's not that I am late. I've been sitting next door in the hotel since 9:30 and I was told it was not going to start until 11:00. So I tried to call here but it seems like your staff don't know either. Anyhow, I'm here and I spent a lot of time, all night, almost, explaining to my Governor the proposed agreements and after explaining, he willingly signed that document so we're part of the partnership and the team. We will be moving forward with whatever the intent is and I hope that it will become a reality, that we will honestly and truly implement the intent of those agreements.

Again, I want to say that it's not because I want to be late, I took time to be here on time at 9:00, 9:30, but unfortunately the communication was not there. Thank you.

MR. MONTOYA: Mr. Chair, Governors, we will be reconvening at the Eldorado for a luncheon at twelve noon and I want to invite all of our honored guests today to please come and break bread with the Board of County cccers on this momentous day. Mr. Chairman, with that, we're done with our business for today.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:35 a.m.

Approved by:

Board of County Commissioners

Paul Duran, Chairman

Respectfully submitted:

Karen Farrell, Commission Reporter

ATTEST TO:

REBECCA BUSTAMANTE

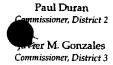
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AGENDA

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- I. Call To Order
- II. WELCOME
- III. Invocation Tribal Elder/Father Jose
- IV. Review/Overview of Summits I & II
 - Reconciliation: Healing of Past
 - **Celebrating our Cultural Communion**
 - **Establishing Common Ground**
 - a. Sharing responsibilities to improve the quality of life
 - **Articulating a Common Vision**
 - a. Based on Government-to-Government Principles
 - **Defining a New ERA of Relations**
- V. Presentation of Statement of Policies and Principles
- VI. Statement and Reflections by Commissioners/Governors
- VII. Signing of Document
- VIII. Recess
 - IX. Lunch: El Dorado Hotel POW/MIA Flag Presentation—Captain John M. Sullivan USAR, Ret. **Commissioner District 5**
 - X. Executive Session
 - XI. Adjournment