SANTA FE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2006 - 194

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR RIO ARRIBA HEALTH COMMONS SHARED HEALTH FACILITY FOR EL CENTRO FAMILY HEALTH, ESPAÑOLA PUBLIC HEALTH AND RIO ARRIBA COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WHEREAS, El Centro Family Health (formerly Health Centers of Northern New Mexico) provides primary medical care to over 5,000 mostly low income uninsured people, and service veterans, per year in its Española clinics; and

WHEREAS, approximately 10% or 500 of these patients reside in northern Santa Fe County, including parts of Española, Chimayo, Arroyo Seco, and other areas surrounding Española on the Santa Fe side of the county line; and

WHEREAS, Health Centers of Northern New Mexico has occupied the same Española clinic building at 620 Coronado Street for 20 years and the building is over 25 years old and no longer adequate to meet the needs of those who receive health care services there; and

WHEREAS, the Española Public Health Office serves approximately 5,000 mostly low income clients per year at its facility in San Pedro, providing in 2005 16,572 WIC visits, 5,200 Needle Exchange services, and 1,339 immunizations; and

WHEREAS, the Española Public Health office is in a poor location in the middle of a residential area which is difficult for many patients to find; and

WHEREAS, the Rio Arriba Health Commons will be a shared facility housing El. Centro Family Health, Española Public Health and Rio Arriba County Health and Human Services which will improve access to health care in Española including northern Santa Fe County; and

WHEREAS, Rio Arriba County has already contributed a 10-acre site, \$1 million from its own budget and \$500,000 from a CDBG grant it applied for; and

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WHEREAS, the total project cost is \$4.6 million, of which \$2 million is already appropriated, leaving \$2.6 million that must be raised in order to break ground in 2007 as necessitated by the time limits on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Health Policy and Planning Commission passed a resolution in support of this project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners strongly supports the Rio Arriba Health Commons' effort for funding in the 2007 Legislative Session.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harry B. Montoya, Chairman

ATTEST:

Valerie Espinoza, Santa Ke County Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 20TH Day Of February, A.D., 2007 at 08:51 And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1471463
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Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office Valerie Espinoza County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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