THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-52

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO RESTORE FEDERAL ENTITLEMENT BENEFITS

WHEREAS, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Part 435.1009 states that federal financial participation (FFP) is not available for expenditures for services provided to individuals who are inmates of public institutions; and

WHEREAS, States can not afford to pay for medical services for persons being held in county jails and detention facilities who have lost their eligibility for federal benefits; and

WHEREAS, the cessation of federal benefits occurs prior to the issuance of formal charges or conviction; and

WHEREAS, counties must provide medical services to all persons incarcerated in local jails and detention facilities even prior to issuance of formal charges or convictions; and

WHEREAS, as the result of the federal regulation which terminates FFP for medical benefits for persons being held in county jails and detention facilities, all costs of medical care must be borne solely by counties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners requests and strongly urges Congress to amend necessary federal regulations to allow federal financial participation for medical benefits to incarcerated individuals until convicted and sentenced to secure detention.

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED, THIS $\frac{g^{7/7}}{2}$ day of APRIL, 2008.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney

Valerie Espinoza, County



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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 24TH Day Of April, A.D., 2008 at 10:21 And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1523346 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Withous My Hand And Seal Of Office Valerie Espinoza inty Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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