

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SANTA FE COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 34**

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A RESOLUTION OPPOSING NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
BILL 290 AND ANY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES INTRODUCED DURING THE  
54<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE – FIRST SESSION 2019, WHICH WOULD CREATE A PILOT  
PROGRAM PROVIDING OPIOID AGONIST TREATMENT TO INMATES IN  
CERTAIN COUNTIES

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**WHEREAS**, the New Mexico House of Representatives Health and Human Services Committee Substitute for House Bill 290 (HB290) was introduced to establish a two-year pilot program (Pilot) to test the effectiveness of providing opioid agonist therapy to inmates who, at the time of incarceration, were using buprenorphine or methadone under the care of a health care provider; and

**WHEREAS**, HB290 mandates that the Pilot be conducted in adult corrections facilities and local jails in Rio Arriba, Santa Fe and San Juan counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Fe County (County) was not consulted on the Pilot; and

**WHEREAS**, the County currently operates the Matrix Model in a Correctional Setting Evidenced-Based Program (Program), which is a specific modified therapeutic community for men and women that involves a comprehensive cognitive behavioral treatment curriculum for offenders with substance use disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Program started in May of 2018, has had 21 males graduate since inception, and is scheduled to be expanded to include females; and

**WHEREAS**, having a separate State-mandated Pilot that is contrary to the current evidence-based Program will create confusion and hardship for Santa Fe County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County, hereby:

1. Directs the County Manager to submit copies of this Resolution opposing HB290 or any committee substitute bill to the New Mexico Legislature.
2. Directs the County Manager or person delegated by her to stand in opposition of HB290 or any committee substitute bill presented during the 54<sup>th</sup> Legislature – First Session, 2019.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

By: Anna T. Hamilton  
Anna T. Hamilton, Chair



ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar  
Geraldine Salazar  
Santa Fe County Clerk

Date: 2-26-2019

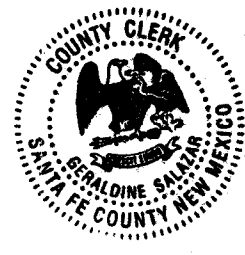
Approved as to form:

R. Bruce Frederick  
R. Bruce Frederick  
Santa Fe County Attorney

COUNTY OF SANTA FE )  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss

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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for  
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Deputy Estrella Martinez Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office  
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM Geraldine Salazar

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