SANTA FE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 14

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THREE MEMBERS AND TWO ALTERNATES TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Election Code (NMSA 1978, Sections 1-1-1 to 1-24-4) creates the position of Board of Registration consisting of three (3) voters in each county who shall serve for at least two (2) years in odd-numbered years commencing in February of a year; and

WHEREAS, the federal National Voter Registration Act of 1993 ("NVRA") (52 U.S.C. Sections 20501 to 20511) was enacted in part to require states to permit eligible persons to register to vote in federal elections when applying for an initial or renewed driver's license; and

WHEREAS, the NVRA was also enacted to enhance voter participation in elections, to increase the number of registered voters, to ensure that states maintained accurate voter rolls, and to protect the integrity of elections; and

WHEREAS, the Election Code establishes the duties of a county's Board of Registration, which include but are not limited to:

- a. reviewing the list of eligible voters following a general election in satisfaction of the NVRA;
- b. directing the county clerk, in satisfaction of the NVRA to cancel the registration of any voter who has been sent notice in conformance with Section 1-4-28(E) of the Election Code, where the voter has failed to respond to the notice and has not voted, or has confirmed a change of residence to a place outside of the county; and
- c. carrying out other list maintenance provisions of the NVRA and the Election Code; and

WHEREAS, the Election Code authorizes the county chairman of each qualified political party to furnish their respective board of county commissioners with a list of the names of four (4) voters in the county and indicate that chairman's preference by placing the numbers 1 to 4 opposite the name of each person on the list; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County's major political party chairs were notified and asked to submit names for consideration of appointment by the Board of County Commissioners ("BCC") to serve on the Board of Registration; and

WHEREAS, the BCC shall appoint a three-member board of which no more than two members shall be of the same party, and shall also appoint two alternates who shall not belong to the same political party at the time of their appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Election Code requires the BCC to give preference to the names in the order indicated by the numbers on the list submitted by the party chair; and

WHEREAS, the Election Code requires a board of county commissioners to appoint three (3) voters to constitute its Board of Registration at the first regularly scheduled meeting in February of each odd-numbered year; and

WHEREAS, membership on the Board of Registration shall be for two years but members shall hold office until their successors are appointed and qualified; and

WHEREAS, members of the Board of Registration shall qualify by taking and filing in the Office of the County Clerk the oath required of county officials.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that:

1. Three (3) voters, of which no more than two members shall be of the same party, and two (2) alternates of different political parties, are hereby appointed to serve on the Board of Registration. The three appointees are:

a. Clifford Rees
b. Francesca DiPalma
c. Michael Gallegos
Democratic Party
Republican Party

The two alternate appointees are:

a. Katherine Clarkb. Samuel LeDouxDemocratic PartyRepublican Party

- 2. The three (3) voters appointed to the Board of Registration and two (2) alternates were selected in accordance with the preference indicated on the lists provided by political party chairs.
- 3. The members appointed to the Board of Registration shall carry out the duties required of them by the National Voter Registration Act and the Election Code.
- 4. The members appointed to the Board of Registration shall serve for two years, but each member shall hold their office until their successor is appointed and qualified.

Henry P. Roybal, Chair

APTEST:

Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 15TH Day Of February, 2017 at 09:32:03 AM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1817744 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office Deputy July County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

Geraldine Salazar