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**COUNTY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 160**

**INTRODUCED BY:**

**Commissioner Virginia Vigil and Commissioner Harry B. Montoya**

**CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-89**

**INTRODUCED BY:**



**A JOINT RESOLUTION**

**OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY AND THE  
GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE RECOGNIZING SANTA FE'S  
400<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY AND CONGRATULATING THE RESIDENTS OF SANTA FE  
AND EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO THE SURROUNDING PUEBLO COMMUNITIES  
FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUR HUNDRED-YEAR ESTABLISHMENT  
OF SANTA FE AS A VILLA.**

**WHEREAS**, before 1598, the pueblo people of the Rio Grande region of New Mexico had inhabited the area now officially known as La Villa Real de la Santa Fe De San Francisco de Asis; and

**WHEREAS**, from the first arrival of New Mexico's Spanish colonists in August of 1598, the pueblo people of the Rio Grande and adjoining regions of New Mexico provided support and sustenance to those colonists, which allowed the colonists to persevere at San Gabriel del Yunque, the first villa and capital of New Mexico located in the pueblo lands of Ohkay Owingeh, as well as at other small outlying settlements; and

1           **WHEREAS**, from the time of 1607, there existed a small settlement of Spanish colonists  
2 in that same area; and

3           **WHEREAS**, on March 30, 1609, the viceroy of New Spain, Martin Lopez de Gauna,  
4 upon the appointment of Don Pedro de Peralta as governor and captain general of New Mexico,  
5 ordered Governor Peralta to arrive in New Mexico before the end of 1609 and to establish a villa  
6 at the site of what is now Santa Fe; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the pueblo people of New Mexico became part of the extended community  
8 of the Spanish colonists, providing a pool for intermarriage and becoming a source, both willingly  
9 and unwillingly, of labor and economic support for the colonists; and

10           **WHEREAS**, the Spanish colonists and the pueblo people engaged in a two-way  
11 exchange of knowledge and cultural folkways that would be mutually advantageous for both  
12 peoples; and

13           **WHEREAS**, seventy years following the establishment of the villa of Santa Fe, the  
14 pueblo people took up arms and forced the inhabitants of the villa to retreat to El Paso in what  
15 was then southern New Mexico; and

16           **WHEREAS**, in 1625, Nuestra Senora del Rosario (later called La Conquistadora and our  
17 Lady of Peace) was brought to Santa Fe by Fray Alonso Benavides and is the oldest  
18 representation of the Virgin Mary in the United States; and

19           **WHEREAS**, in 1692, Don Diego de Vargas resettled Santa Fe with the aid of pueblo  
20 allies led by Don Luis Tupatu of Picuris, Don Juan de Ye of Pecos and others, which following an  
21 initial peaceful return, resulted in an armed conflict lasting through 1696; and

22           **WHEREAS**, following the repopulation of Santa Fe and reinstatement of Spanish  
23 government in New Mexico, the pueblo people found ways to protect their traditional ways while  
24 adapting to the Spanish form of government and continuing the process of mutual cultural  
25 interchange and support; and

1           **WHEREAS**, over the following years into the twentieth century and despite intermittent  
2 disputes, the colonists and their descendants, many of whom were and are tied by blood to the  
3 pueblo people and other surrounding Native American tribes, formed alliances and  
4 accommodated each other's cultures, allowing Santa Fe to flourish; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the peaceful acceptance of each other's cultures continued through the  
6 United States' conquest of New Mexico during the war with Mexico and contributed to the  
7 evolution of Santa Fe's cultural heritage, and it resulted in the recognition by the state and federal  
8 governments of the sovereignty rights of the pueblo people, including their rights to self-  
9 government; and

10           **WHEREAS**, during the period of 2008 through 2010, Santa Fe will proudly observe the  
11 four hundred-year anniversary of its settlement and subsequent founding as a villa and its  
12 multicultural heritage with suitable events and observances by the residents of Santa Fe to  
13 commemorate its first four hundred years and to pass on to future generations the Indo-Hispano  
14 heritage of Santa Fe and the surrounding region; and

15           **WHEREAS**, it is important that the commemoration provide a foundation for healing the  
16 past and opening the way for a permanent reconciliation between the descendants of Santa Fe's  
17 Spanish colonists and the pueblo people and surrounding Native American tribes as well as the  
18 descendants of all of the other Santa Fe settlers who have contributed to Santa Fe's multicultural  
19 heritage.

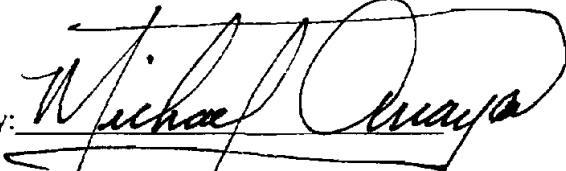
20           **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY**  
21 **COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY AND THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**  
22 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that in recognition of Santa Fe's 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary that congratulations be  
23 expressed to the residents of Santa Fe and gratitude be expressed to the surrounding pueblo  
24 communities for the commemoration of the four hundred-year establishment of Santa Fe as a  
25 villa.

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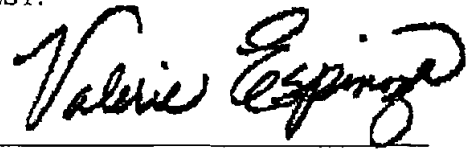
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the pueblo people and the citizens of Santa Fe be invited and encouraged to participate in ceremonies of reconciliation and mutual recognition in furtherance of the more than four hundred-year history of Santa Fe.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

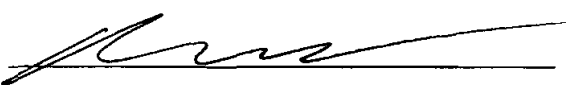
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MICHAEL D. ANAYA, CHAIR

ATTEST:



VALERIE ESPINOZA, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



STEPHEN C. ROSS, COUNTY ATTORNEY

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 9th day of September, 2009.

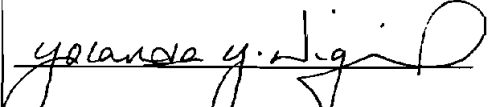
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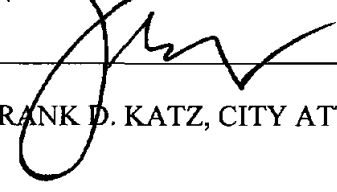
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4 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

5 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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8 FRANK D. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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