

1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-22**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 **Councilor Calvert**

6 **Mayor Coss**

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **SUPPORTING THE CITY OF SANTA FE – SANTA FE TRAILS REQUEST FOR**
12 **FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL FUNDS NECESSARY TO**
13 **DELIVER ONGOING URBAN TRANSIT SERVICES IN THE GREATER SANTA FE**
14 **AREA.**

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16 **WHEREAS**, public transit is an important component of an effective, efficient
17 transportation system; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the city of Santa Fe is committed to encouraging alternative modes of
19 transportation and has, for over fifteen years, funded the operations of the municipally run transit
20 and para-transit programs; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the provision and use of public transportation systems reduces traffic
22 congestion and other negative environmental impacts caused by motor vehicle traffic such as
23 noise and air pollution; and

24 **WHEREAS**, ridership on Santa Fe Trails has experienced steady growth over the past
25 several years to the point where one-million rides per year is likely to occur in the near future; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the city of Santa Fe’s buses operate solely on natural gas produced in the
2 southwestern United States thereby reducing our national dependence on foreign oil; and

3 **WHEREAS**, public transportation promotes quality of life, economic opportunity, and
4 mobility choice for Santa Fe residents and visitors alike, and provides for the safe and efficient
5 movement of people, goods, and services in New Mexico; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the provision of transit service in the City of Santa Fe has traditionally been
7 a successful partnership utilizing local funds for operations and federal funds for capital projects
8 and rolling stock; and

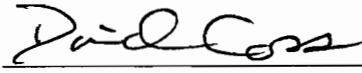
9 **WHEREAS**, the Federal Transportation Act SAFETEA-LU has expired and a new
10 multi-year transportation bill is in the making.

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
12 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body requests the support of New Mexico’s
13 Congressional Delegation for any economic stimulus funds that may yet be appropriated through
14 the Federal Transit Administration (FTA); and specifically, and most urgently, requests New
15 Mexico’s Congressional Delegation’s support for two FY2011 appropriation requests for facility
16 improvements and fleet acquisition.

17 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governing body encourages New
18 Mexico’s Congressional Delegation’s staffs to partner with city of Santa Fe transit division staff
19 in the SAFETEA-LU re-authorization process to ensure that key facility projects, such as the
20 development of a multi-modal center on the Railyard at the northernmost terminus of Rail Runner
21 service and improvements to the downtown (Sheridan Street) transit center, are considered for
22 inclusion along with ongoing fleet replacement needs.

23 **PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** this 14th day of April, 2010.
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DAVID COSS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


GENO ZAMORA, CITY ATTORNEY