CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-18

INTRODUCED BY:

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A RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE TRANSIT FUND TO

ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN FINANCING THE PROVISION OF URBAN AND

RURAL TRANSIT SERVICES THROUGHOUT NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, the city of Santa Fe is committed to encouraging alternative modes of

transportation and has supported other statewide legislation related to enhancing public

transportation options; and

WHEREAS, use of public transportation systems reduces congestion and other negative

environmental impacts caused by motor vehicle traffic such as noise and air pollution; and

WHEREAS, public transit helps to reduce our national dependence on foreign oil; and

WHEREAS, public transportation promotes quality of life, economic opportunity, and

mobility choice for New Mexico residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, public transit is an important component of an effective, efficient

transportation system that provides for the safe and efficient movement of people, goods, and

services in New Mexico; and
WHEREAS, there is an increasing need to establish a statewide transit fund to match the federal dollars provided to local governments by the Federal Transit Administration, and other federal funding agencies, to expand public transit services; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico remains one of only a very few states that does not provide state funding for public transportation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the city of Santa Fe supports the establishment of a statewide transit fund and urges the New Mexico state legislature to appropriate permanent reoccurring funding for public transportation programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the city of Santa Fe, the governor, and the legislature work to establish and approve such legislation for the betterment of all New Mexicans.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14th day of February, 2007.

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DAVID COSS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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FRANK KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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