1	CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
2	RESOLUTION NO. 2008 - 113
3	INTRODUCED BY:
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5	Councilor Ortiz
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10	A RESOLUTION
11	TAKING CERTAIN AND IMMEDIATE ACTIONS TO SAFEGUARD CITY FINANCES
12	AND REQUESTING FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS TO ENSURE CITY FINANCIAL
13	STABILITY.
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15	WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe is committed to using sound financial practices
16	concerning the provision of basic governmental services to its citizens; and
17	WHEREAS, within the past three months, the Governing Body has had to take remedial
18	and emergency financial actions in various City departments concerning its current fiscal year
19	budget as a result of fiscal oversights, accounting inconsistencies and budgeting errors uncovered
20	by a new transition of Finance Department management; and
21	WHEREAS, the Governing Body was given different information, and therefore,
22	approved the current fiscal year budget based on assumptions it had prior to its knowledge of the
23	fiscal oversights, accounting inconsistencies, and budgeting errors uncovered by a new transition
24	of Finance Department management; and
25	WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe governmental operations have not, to date, been hit as

where with negative national and state economic and financial trends as other communities; and where where the communities is a state economic and financial trends will adversely affect its operations; and

WHEREAS, because the circumstances and the assumptions upon which the current fiscal year budget has changed and because of the negative national and state economic and financial trends, the Governing Body wants to take immediate and proactive actions to prepare itself for the eventuality and/or the possibility that negative economic and financial trends may adversely affect the City's current fiscal year budget; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe wants to ensure that next year's fiscal year budgeting (for fiscal year 09/10) takes into consideration and accounts for the possibility of negative economic and financial trends; and

WHEREAS, the state of financial and fiscal affairs of all funds at the City of Santa Fe is of such a nature that the Governing Body as a whole has the responsibility to the citizens of Santa Fe to conduct an open and thorough budget review process, whenever circumstances dictate and with as much due diligence and speed as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE that the following actions need to be assessed immediately in order to maintain and sustain the efficient operations of government:

- All raises (of whatever type or kind) for all permanent bargaining unit, nonbargaining unit, management and part-time employees are hereby STAYED.
- All vacancies for all full-time positions, which are not related to public safety, are hereby FROZEN.
- All raises, of whatever type or kind, given in the current fiscal year shall be
 organized, tabulated, and presented by the City Manager to the Governing Body for
 possible RECONSIDERATION AND ABOLISHMENT.

1	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby requests that the	
2	following be presented to the Finance Committee no later than the mid-year budget hearings:	
3	1. All permanent bargaining unit, non-bargaining unit, management and part-time	
4	positions shall be organized, tabulated, and presented by the City Manager with	
5	recommendations to the Governing Body for possible RECONSIDERATION AND	
6	ABOLISHMENT.	
7	2. All contracts for personal and professional services shall be organized, tabulated and	
8	presented by the City Manager with recommendations to the Governing Body for	
9	possible RECONSIDERATION AND ABOLISHMENT.	
10	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby charges the City	
11	Manager and the Finance Director to meet with representatives of the collective bargaining units	
12	(hereinafter referred to as "Ad Hoc Finance Team") concerning:	
13	1. alternatives to the above that would amount to the same or more savings in the	
14	current fiscal year; and	
15	2. alternatives, recommendations and proposals for further budgetary saving	
16	mechanisms in the current fiscal year; and	
17	3. alternatives, recommendations and proposals that can be carried into the budgetary	
18	process for the next fiscal year.	
19	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby requests that the Ad	
20	Hoc Finance Team present its alternatives, recommendations and proposals to the Finance	
21	Committee no later than the mid-year budget hearings.	
22	PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 10th day of December, 2008.	
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