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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2008 -- 19

INTRODUCED BY:

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A RESOLUTION

INSTITUTING "CAVERNOUS ANGIOMA AWARENESS WEEK"

WHEREAS, Cavernous Angiomas (also known as "CCM") are clusters of abnormal blood cells found in the brain and spinal cord that may result in seizures, hemorrhage, or even death; and

WHEREAS, CCM can occur spontaneously or as the result of an inheritable genetic defect; and

WHEREAS, because of a genetic mutation present in early Spanish settlers, northern New Mexico and southern Colorado have the highest incidence of CCM anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS, over 1000 families in northern New Mexico are at risk for CCM; and

WHEREAS, even members of the City Hall family have been stricken by CCM; and

WHEREAS, genetic testing is now available to determine if individuals are susceptible to CCM; and

WHEREAS, knowledge of this susceptibility can help individuals who are susceptible

1 become educated about this trait and, through education, be better able to safeguard their health
2 and their lives; and

3 **WHEREAS**, because of the prevalence of CCM in the population of northern New
4 Mexico, education that increases awareness about CCM is especially beneficial in this area; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe and other governmental entities and nongovernmental
6 organizations in northern New Mexico are uniquely situated to help bring about this education
7 and awareness.

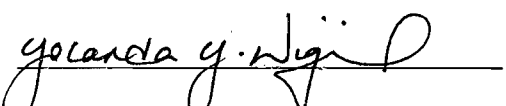
8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
9 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that city staff is directed to develop, on an annual basis, a “Cavernous
10 Angioma Awareness Week” that will help educate people about CCM and its causes and effects,
11 and to encourage the participation of other governments and nongovernmental organizations
12 throughout northern New Mexico in this effort.

13 PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 27th day of February, 2008.

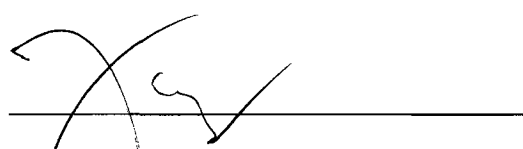
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15 DAVID COSS, MAYOR

16 ATTEST:

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20 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

21 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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24 FRANK D. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

25 *Jp/hdrive/2008 res/angioma week*