

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-52**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

6 Councilor Peter N. Ives

7 Councilor Renee D. Villarreal

8 Councilor Signe I. Lindell

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **REAFFIRMING THE CITY OF SANTA FE’S GOAL OF BEING CARBON NEUTRAL**
12 **BY 2040; AND SUPPORTING THE PRINCIPLES OF, AND THE INVOLVEMENT OF**
13 **THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN, THE PARIS AGREEMENT.**

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15 **WHEREAS,** actions that reduce climate pollution also have potential to improve air
16 quality, public health, energy security, social equity, our local natural environment, and quality of
17 life for our residents; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the City of Santa Fe has demonstrated a legacy of leadership against the
19 threat of climate change; and

20 **WHEREAS,** the City of Santa Fe remains committed to its adopted goal of achieving
21 carbon neutrality by 2040; and

22 **WHEREAS,** several drivers of climate pollution such as the production and use of
23 energy in buildings and transportation can be influenced by local governments and the collective
24 action of communities around the world; and

25 **WHEREAS,** the City of Santa Fe has already taken a variety of important actions to

1 reduce greenhouse gas emissions and enhance quality of life in our community; and

2 **WHEREAS**, the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission is developing a 25-Year
3 Sustainability Plan that outlines the programs, projects and policies that will need to be
4 undertaken in partnership with others to achieve the climate action goals in that plan; and

5 **WHEREAS**, we are joined in taking action on climate change by a global coalition of
6 cities, state and national governments, and community and private sector leaders who recognize
7 the importance and potential of these actions to protect and enhance the well-being of current and
8 future generations; and

9 **WHEREAS**, more than eighty-six (86) mayors representing more than 40 million
10 Americans have recently re-affirmed their cities' commitments to climate action; and

11 **WHEREAS**, 195 countries, including the United States, vowed to address climate
12 change in agreements reached in Paris in December 2015 (the "Paris Agreement"); and

13 **WHEREAS**, President Donald Trump's announcement seeking to withdraw the United
14 States of America from the Paris Agreement undermines the critical global effort to confront one
15 of the greatest challenges facing our community and communities across the planet we all share;
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17 **WHEREAS**, the reality of climate change has not been affected by recent political
18 announcements; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the absence of federal leadership only increases the importance of local
20 leadership in avoiding the most dangerous and costly effects of climate change;

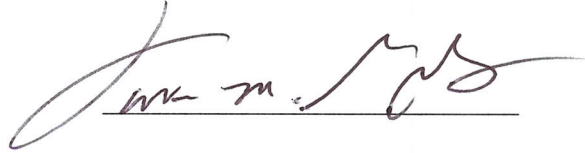
21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
22 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the commitment to reducing climate pollution in alignment with its
23 stated goal of being carbon neutral by 2040 is hereby reaffirmed.

24 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Santa Fe continues to support the
25 principles of the Paris Agreement and the participation of the United States of America as a party

1 to the Paris Agreement.

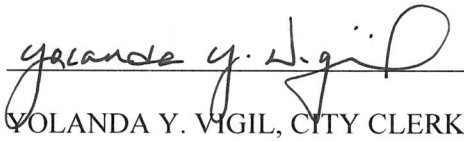
2 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Santa Fe shall communicate this
3 resolution to Scott Pruitt, director of the Environmental Protection Agency.

4 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of June, 2017.

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7 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

8 ATTEST:

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11 VOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

12 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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14 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY
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