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**CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 71**

**INTRODUCED BY:**

Councilor Peter N. Ives

**A RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE COMMISSION TO RESEARCH AND ASSESS THE CREATION OF A JOINT CITY, SANTA FE COUNTY, AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO SUSTAINABILITY AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING, IMPLEMENTING AND FINANCING SUSTAINABILITY-RELATED PROGRAMS IN SANTA FE COUNTY THAT COUNTER THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ACHIEVE CARBON NEUTRALITY BY 2040.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe is committed to protecting the long-term health and viability of our community through strategies designed to improve the environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, water use, and mitigating the effects of and adapting to climate change; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body, through the adoption of Resolution No. 2015-30, directed the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission to draft a comprehensive 25-year sustainability plan to annually reduce Santa Fe’s carbon emissions and energy consumption through a variety of strategies in order to achieve the City’s goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2040; and

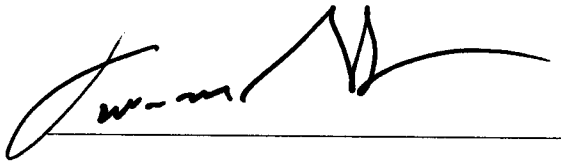
**WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Fe is also committed to the advancement of its economy, including jobs related to the field of sustainability and related education and training; and

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**WHEREAS**, electricity use by the citizens and businesses of Santa Fe is a major contributory source of carbon emissions.

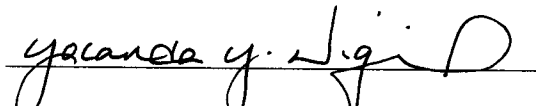
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE** that it directs the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission to research and assess the creation of a joint city, Santa Fe County, and State of New Mexico Sustainability Authority for the purpose of developing, implementing and financing sustainability-related programs in Santa Fe County that counter the effects of climate change, and achieve carbon neutrality through measured annual progress of such sustainability programs by 2040.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.



JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY