1	CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
2	RESOLUTION NO. 2018-2
3	INTRODUCED BY:
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5	Councilor Renee D. Villarreal
6	Councilor Peter N. Ives
7	Councilor Carmichael A. Dominguez
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10	A RESOLUTION
11	IN SUPPORT OF THE 'NEW MEXICO GROWN FRESH FRUITS AND FRESH
12	VEGETABLES FOR SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM' STATE LEGISLATION.
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14	WHEREAS, more than twenty-eight percent (28.6%) of kindergarteners and thirty-four
15	percent (34%) of third graders in New Mexico are considered overweight or obese; and
16	WHEREAS, more than 340,000 students are enrolled in New Mexico schools and can
17	participate in the school meal programs operated by the various school meals programs
18	throughout New Mexico of which more than 241,400 (71%) are eligible to participate in the free
19	or reduced-price school meal programs; and
20	WHEREAS, more than 16,000 students in the City and County of Santa Fe participate in
21	the school meal program; and
22	WHEREAS, increased funding would assist our schools and farmers in Santa Fe City
23	and County; and
24	WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) makes it possible for all
25	school children in the United States to receive a nutritious lunch every school day; and
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- 1 WHEREAS, local school meal programs see increased costs for food purchases of an 2 average of 25 to 75 cents of which fruits and vegetables can be as much as a quarter of the cost; 3 and 4 WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program provides a reimbursement of \$3.31 for 5 free lunches, \$2.91 for reduced-priced lunches, and \$0.39 for paid lunches; and 6 **WHEREAS**, the National School Breakfast Program provides a reimbursement of \$2.09 7 for free breakfast reimbursement. \$1.79 reduced-price, and \$0.30 for paid breakfasts; and 8 WHEREAS, the purchase of NM fruits and vegetables will enhance the diet of these 9 school children and help school meal programs comply with Federal rules that require additional 10 servings of fruits and vegetables on the children's school meal plates; and 11 WHEREAS, there is an agricultural sector in NM—small and medium-size fruit and 12 vegetable farmers---who can respond to this new food "market" for local produce in the school 13 meal programs; and 14 WHEREAS, increased funding from the state legislature enables school meal programs 15 and local school districts to purchase NM grown produce, serve more fresh fruit and vegetables to 16 our children for their health and well-being and support economic development and opportunities 17 for our local farmers. 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE 19 CITY OF SANTA FE that the City of Santa Fe City Council joins with New Mexico Food and 20 Agriculture Policy Council, New Mexico School Nutrition Association, New Mexico agencies, 21 the Santa Fe City and County Advisory Council on Food Policy, and other organization in 22 requesting that the New Mexico State Legislature appropriate \$1.44 million to support the "New 23 Mexico Grown Fresh Fruits and Fresh Vegetables for School Meals" program. 24 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2018. 25
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for M JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR ATTEST: tecande 4 L VOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM: Muan KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY M/Legislation/Resolutions 2018-2/NM Grown School Meals