

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

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-17**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

6 Councilor Peter N. Ives

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **COMMITTING THE CITY OF SANTA FE AS A FULL AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANT**  
12 **AS A COMPASSIONATE CITY; AFFIRMING THE CHARTER FOR COMPASSION;**  
13 **AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION**  
14 **THROUGH APPROPRIATE MEANS.**

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16 **WHEREAS**, La Villa Real de la Santa Fe de San Francisco de Asís, the Royal Town of  
17 the Holy Faith of Saint Francis of Assisi, has been revered for centuries as a sacred place for  
18 healing, reflection, and transformation; and

19 **WHEREAS**, compassion and kindness are fundamental to a healthy society, and is  
20 recognized in both secular and spiritual communities; and

21 **WHEREAS**, in a Compassionate City, the needs of all the inhabitants of that community  
22 are recognized and met, the wellbeing of the entire community is a priority, and all people and  
23 living things are treated with respect; and

24 **WHEREAS**, a Compassionate City is populated with people who are motivated by  
25 compassion to take responsibility for and care for each other; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical and  
2 spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat all others as we wish to be treated ourselves; and

3           **WHEREAS**, compassionate actions and policies produce positive benefits in all sectors  
4 of civic and community life, including safety, education, religion, public health, business,  
5 politics, the environment, spiritual well-being, and intergovernmental relations; and

6           **WHEREAS**, compassion impels us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of others  
7 most marginalized, and to honor the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating  
8 everybody, without exception, with absolute justice, equity and respect; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Conference of Mayors passed a resolution in June of 2013 to  
10 endorse the Campaign for Compassionate Cities; and

11           **WHEREAS**, we come together to declare Santa Fe as a Compassionate City that  
12 promotes and instills a kind and compassionate culture; and

13           **WHEREAS**, Santa Fe strives to be a livable city of peace, environmental sustainability  
14 and well-being, where all may thrive and realize their full potential; and

15           **WHEREAS**, Santa Fe's Compassionate City initiative is aligned with compassionate  
16 cities nationwide and encourages kindness and compassion campaigns universally in our schools,  
17 colleges, and neighborhoods; and

18           **WHEREAS**, the spirit of Compassionate Santa Fe is to identify, recognize, and promote  
19 kindness as a means to a more equitable and compassionate community and professional  
20 environment to better support community and one another; and

21           **WHEREAS**, the primary goal of Compassionate Santa Fe is to have a kinder, more  
22 compassionate, and more authentic experience in Santa Fe, which will promote and practice  
23 equity, inclusiveness and connection for all of its residents.

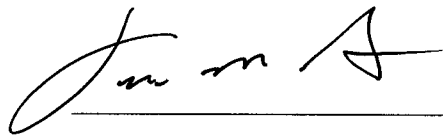
24           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**  
25 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that La Villa Real de la Santa Fe de San Francisco de Asís, the Royal

1 Town of the Holy Faith of Saint Francis of Assisi shall be a full and active participant as a  
2 Compassionate City.

3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Governing Body affirms the Charter for  
4 Compassion and joins the International Campaign for Compassionate Communities Initiative, in  
5 which citizens, government, and institutions commit to working together to embrace and apply  
6 compassionate solutions and encourage community service to meet the needs of children,  
7 families, communities, and neighbors.

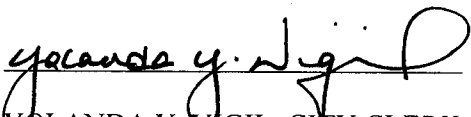
8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor of Santa Fe shall be authorized to  
9 implement this resolution through any practical means they deem appropriate in their sound  
10 discretion.

11 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

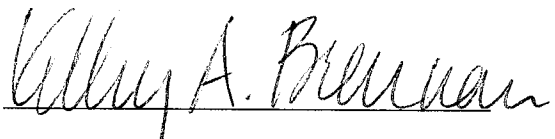
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15 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

16 ATTEST:

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19 VOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

20 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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23 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

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25 *M/Legislation/Resolutions 2018/2018-17 Compassionate City*