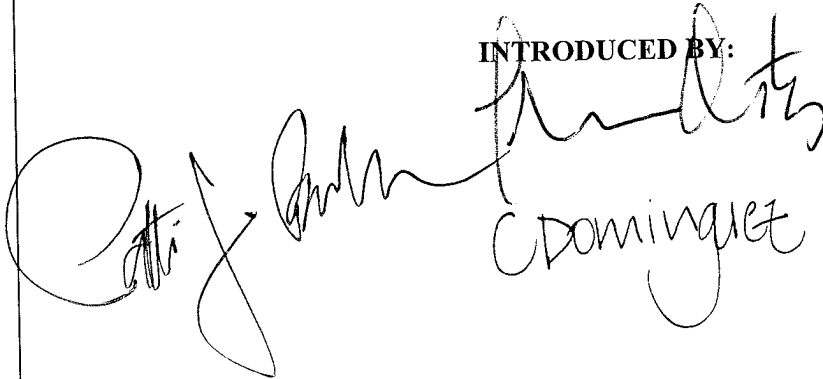


1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 20**

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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **TO CELEBRATE AND REMEMBER DON R. LOVATO, STREET GENIUS IN MUSIC,**  
12 **AND REVERED FOR HIS CHARITY WORK.**

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14 **WHEREAS**, "From old, lovelorn Spanish favorites to a rockin' Chuck Berry lick, Don  
15 R. Lovato knew how to make his electric guitar sing." as stated in the February 22, 2011 New  
16 Mexican; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Don R. Lovato was born May 29, 1958, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, to Joe  
18 and Prescilla Lovato and died on February 19, 2011, in a motorcycle crash on I-25 south of Santa  
19 Fe; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Don's passion, other than his family, was his love of music, playing the  
21 guitar with such beauty like very few others;

22 **WHEREAS**, his grace and talent were undeniable and he was, without a doubt, one of  
23 the best guitarists that ever mastered the art; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Don entertained audiences around the city for years with Spanish  
25 traditional music, rock and roll, and Brazilian jazz often punctuated with complicated chords; and

**WHEREAS**, Don gave his music and himself playing at various charitable events and through the nonprofit, Outside In, at senior centers, juvenile detention centers and for the developmentally disabled and the homeless; and

**WHEREAS**, Don is survived by his loving wife of nearly 30 years, Margarette, his son, Everette, and daughter, Jesse, two granddaughters, and seven brothers and two sisters; he was preceded in death in 2008, by his brother, Jerry Lovato, a 25-year city worker.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Santa Fe community is grateful for the musical talent and the generosity of Don R. Lovato.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the city, in consultation with Don's family, will place a plaque with an appropriate inscription on city property as a remembrance of Don's musical talent and generosity.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

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DAVID COSS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Yolanda Y. Vigil  
YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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GENO ZAMORA, CITY ATTORNEY

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