

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 20**

**INTRODUCED BY:**

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## A RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

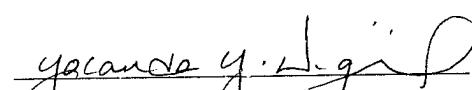
10                   **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the city, in consultation with Don's family,  
11 will place a plaque with an appropriate inscription on city property as a remembrance of Don's  
12 musical talent and generosity.

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

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16                   DAVID COSS, MAYOR

17                   ATTEST:

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20                   YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

21                   APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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24                   GENO ZAMORA, CITY ATTORNEY

25                   Jp/ca/jpmb/2011 res/Lovato Don