

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF UNION
RESOLUTION NO. 107-05

SUPPORT FOR BRINGING HORSE RACING BACK TO
COLFAX AND UNION COUNTIES OF NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS, in 1946, Raton had the first horse racing track built in New Mexico, La Mesa Park; and

WHEREAS, Colfax County and Union County share a rich ranching history; and

WHEREAS, both counties serve as hubs to Northeastern New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, a tradition of horse racing lineage was formed in the region that continues today; and

WHEREAS, tourism traffic is vital to Northern New Mexico's economic development; and

WHEREAS, Northeastern New Mexico supported and depended on racing for 46 years until the track closed in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Colfax County and Union County have a rich history in horse racing and tourism and has enjoyed being a destination to many visitors from the 5-State region of New Mexico, Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas; and

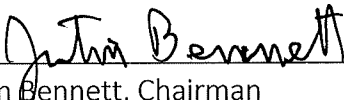
WHEREAS, Colfax County and Union County geographic location and climate make it an ideal location for horse racing; and

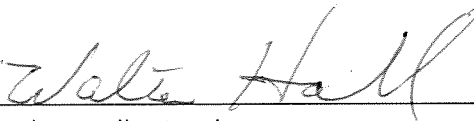
WHEREAS, the region of Colfax County and Union County, will only be enhanced by horse racing returning to the area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF UNION COUNTY SUPPORTS COLFAX COUNTY'S efforts to bring back horse racing for the purpose of stimulating regional economic development.

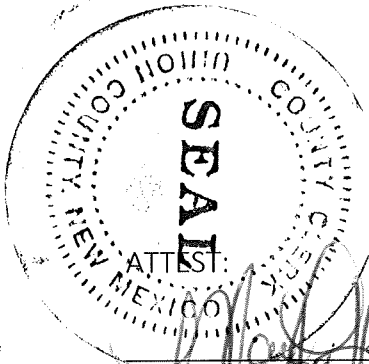
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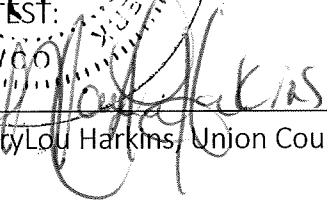
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