

**UNION COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-35**

**SUPPORTING CERTAIN RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO RETURN TO WORK  
FOR AFFILIATED PUBLIC EMPLOYERS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Union County Board of County Commissioners is the duly authorized governing body of Union County, a New Mexico political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes that rehiring retired Law Enforcement Officers makes economic sense and reduces the training burden due to their experience, advanced training, valuable career-based knowledge, and job specific knowledge in the public safety field; and

**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes that there are many retired Law Enforcement Officers throughout New Mexico that are otherwise qualified to fill vacant public safety positions; and

**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes that New Mexico loses many qualified Law Enforcement Officers to surrounding states upon their retirement due to the restrictions in NM that make them ineligible to return to or continue to work in New Mexico; and

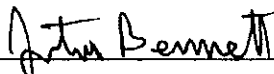
**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes that small Public Safety agencies across New Mexico continually struggle with recruitment and retention of qualified personnel Law Enforcement personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes that many retired Law Enforcement Officers have the desire to return to work either as police officers or in related public safety disciplines to continue serving their community.

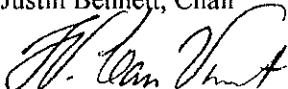
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Union County Board of County Commissioners is requesting that the New Mexico State Legislature and the Governor of New Mexico work together in changing current State Laws to allow the provision for retired New Mexico Law Enforcement personnel to return to work at a local government agency.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED**, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020.

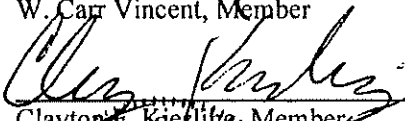
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF UNION COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**



Justin Bennett, Chair



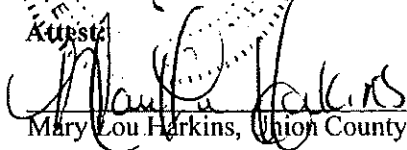
W. Carr Vincent, Member



Clayton F. Krieslitz, Member



Attest:



Mary Lou Harkins, Union County Clerk