

UNION COUNTY  
Resolution No. 2020-17

**SUPPORTING THE FULL FUNDING OF PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT) FROM THE  
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

WHEREAS, the PILT program was established in 1976 to offset costs incurred by counties for services provided to the federal government and to the users of public land; and

WHEREAS, according to estimates from the National Association of Counties, current PILT funding provides a small fraction of what counties would receive in property taxes if the lands and facilities were privately owned; and

WHEREAS, Congress needs to ensure that PILT payments adequately reimburse local governments for lost tax revenue associated with federal ownership of public lands; and

WHEREAS, PILT has become a critical component of local government budgets; and

WHEREAS, this funding ensures that Counties remain able to provide necessary basic services ranging from fire suppression to law enforcement activities; and

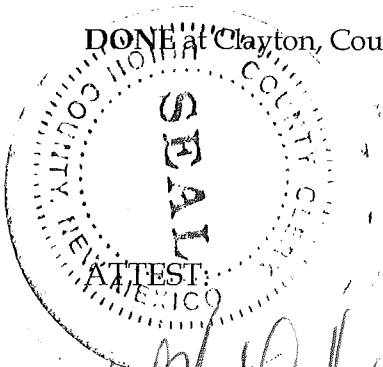
WHEREAS, in 2019, Union County received \$159,796.00 in PILT; and

WHEREAS, among other things, this money aided in funding road improvements and law enforcement in the County; and,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Union County Board of Commissioners that the County respectfully requests swift passage of legislation to extend mandatory PILT funding for FY 2021 to the previously authorized levels and beyond; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Union County Commissioners wishes to thank its Congressional delegation for its recognition of the importance of the PILT program and its continued support.

**DONE** at Clayton, County of Union this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019



Mary Lou Harkins  
Mary Lou Harkins, County Clerk

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