

Supporting the establishment of a Statewide Transit Fund, and increase in Local Government Road Fund

Whereas, the Board of **Grant County Commissioners** is committed to encouraging alternative modes of public transportation; and

Whereas, adequate public transportation promotes quality of life and economic opportunities for many New Mexicans; and

Whereas, public transit systems reduce congestion caused by motor vehicle traffic by providing public transportation options for residents; and

Whereas, public transportation would reduce noise, air pollution, and negative environmental impacts; and

Whereas, the escalation of international and domestic oil and gas prices demand the prudent and responsible use of fuel; and

Whereas, public transportation would extend the life of New Mexico's existing roadways by easing the traffic burden; and

Whereas, it is not enough to have an efficient state highway system, but rather it is essential that an effective, efficient public transportation system be in place within counties and municipalities in order to provide for the safe and efficient movement of people, goods and services; and

Whereas, transportation should be viewed not just as the State highway system, but as a complete network of state and municipal streets, roads, bridges and public transit systems; and

Whereas, there is an increasing need to establish a Statewide Transit Fund to match the Federal dollar requirement(s) of the Federal Transit Administration and other Federal funding agencies.

Whereas, the **Grant County Commission** has supported other legislation related to enhancing New Mexico public transit expansion; e.g. GRIP

Whereas, New Mexico remains one of only six states that does not provide State funding for public transportation; and

Whereas, we request that the New Mexico State Legislature appropriate permanent reoccurring funding for public transportation programs

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Whereas, this will provide funding for a Statewide Transit Fund and increase the Local Government Road Fund; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the **Grant County Commission** supports new and additional funding, for the establishment of a Statewide Transit Fund and increase in the Local Government Road Fund; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the **Grant County Commission**, the Governor and the Legislature work to establish and implement such legislation for the betterment of all New Mexicans.

Passed, Approved and Adopted this 22nd day of September, 2005.

ATTEST:

Henry 'Howie' Morales
Howie Morales, Clerk

By Robert [Signature]

Grant County Commissioners

[Signature]
Henry Torres, Chairman

Joseph F. Arellano
Joseph Arellano, Commissioner

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