SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION № 110-291

ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES

WHEREAS, the Sierra County Board of Commissioners met upon notice of a regular meeting, duly published, at the Sierra County Administrative Offices, 1712 N. Date Street, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico 87901, on December 17, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 4-38-1 (1884) the powers of a county as a body politic and corporate shall be exercised by a board of county commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 27 of the New Mexico Constitution provides that "[n]o law shall be enacted giving any extra compensation to any public officer, servant, agent or contractor after services are rendered or contract made; nor shall the compensation of any officer be increased or diminished during his term of office, except as otherwise provided in this constitution;" and,

WHEREAS, Article XX, Section 3 of the New Mexico Constitution provides that "[t]he term of office of every state, county or district officer, except those elected at the first election held under this constitution, and those elected to fill vacancies, shall commence on the first day of January next after his election;" and,

WHEREAS, at the 2024 General Election, the voters of New Mexico approved an Amendment to Article 10, Section 1 of the New Mexico Constitution to provide that the salaries of county officers be established by the Board of County Commissioner; and,

WHEREAS, elected officials commencing their new term after are eligible for the salary detailed below effective at the beginning of their term or starting at the first payroll in January 2025; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that it hereby adopts the following compensation schedule for elected officials commencing a new term on or after January 1, 2025:

Sierra County Office	Annual Salary
County Commissioner	\$26,300.00
County Assessor	\$80,000.00
County Clerk	\$80,000.00
County Treasurer	\$80,000.00
County Sheriff	\$86,500.00

Probate Judge	\$22,000.00
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salary of the appointed Chief Deputy Clerk, Chief Deputy Treasurer, Chief Deputy Assessor and Chief Deputy Sheriff ("Undersheriff") be set at 95% of the salary of the offices' elected official salary, the Sheriff's Executive Assistant shall be set at 60% of the Sheriff's salary, and the Chief Deputy Assessor shall be entitled to applicable Appraiser qualification incentive payments pursuant to Section 4-39-5(M) NMSA 1978 not to exceed \$7,500.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 17th day of December, 2024.

Board of County Commissioners Sierra County, New Mexico

Travis Day, Chairman Commissioner District 1

Hank Hopkins

Commissioner District 3

ames E. Paxon, Vice Charman

Commissioner District 2

ATTEST:

Shelly K. Trujillo

Sierra County Clerk