

TORRANCE COUNTY RESOLUTION # 94-27 TO DESIGNATE WEEK OF MAY 9, 1994 AS TORRANCE COUNTY PUBLIC LANDS WEEK

WHEREAS, Torrance County, State of New Mexico recognizes the many contributions that federal public lands, whose magnificence and vastness comprise 26,422,083 acres of our state, have made to the heritage and well being of all our citizens, and

WHEREAS, these public lands, which are open to all of the nation's citizens, are an immensely valuable asset to not only the United States but to Torrance County as well, contributing a vast spectrum of wealth to our society which benefits all citizens, and

WHEREAS, Torrance County recognizes the abundance of economic, recreational, and social advantages that its citizens enjoy because of the very presence of these public lands, and recognizes the many contributions the use of public lands have made to not only our county but to many of the state's rural communities whose livelihoods often depend upon that use, and

WHEREAS, Torrance County recognizes particularly the contribution public lands have made to our state's livestock, mining, timber, oil and gas, and recreation industries, contributing substantially to the state's economy by creating innumerable jobs for its working people, and

WHEREAS, Torrance County acknowledges the nation's need to sustain the many uses of federally owned public lands while requiring a balance between those activities and the conservation of this invaluable natural resource.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners of Torrance County, State of New Mexico commemorate the many benefits its citizens derive from the use and enjoyment of the federally owned public lands in our state, by hereby declaring the week of May 9, 1994, as Torrance County Public Lands. Week

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