



**TORRANCE COUNTY  
RESOLUTION 2013-38**

**A Resolution Supporting the 2014 Legislative Priorities of the New Mexico  
Association of Counties**

**WHEREAS**, in August, 2013, the Board of Directors of the New Mexico Association of Counties approved seven legislative priorities for consideration by the New Mexico Legislature at its 2014 Regular legislative session; *and*

**WHEREAS**, the Association has requested that the Board of County Commissioners in each of the state's 33 counties adopt a resolution supporting the Association's legislative priorities; *and*

**WHEREAS**, this is an important step in assuring maximum understanding of, and support for, the Association's legislative priorities at the county level; *and*

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of such resolutions will enable the Association to demonstrate to the state legislature local and statewide support for the Association's legislative priorities; *and*

**WHEREAS**, the legislative priorities adopted by the Association's Board of Directors include support for legislation on the following seven issues:

**Delinquent Property Tax Payments** - Amend state law to authorize County Treasurers to receive all payments of property taxes, including for those properties that have been turned over to the Property Tax Division for collection and have been placed on installment agreements (Treasurers).

**Delinquent Property Tax List** - Clarify the responsibility of County Treasurers and the Property Tax Division, so that if a delinquent property does not appear on the most recent delinquent property tax list, that property reverts back to the County Treasurer for collection, and the penalty and interest collected are distributed to the county.(Treasurers)

**Notice of Liens** - Require liens to contain language that notice of the lien was sent to the property owner prior to filing the lien (Clerks)

**Medicaid Benefits Suspension** - Support suspension of Medicaid benefits in lieu of termination, during incarceration In county detention facilities (Commissioners)

**County Correctional Facility Gross Receipts Tax** - Increase existing county local option gross receipts tax for county correctional facilities (Detention Administrators and Commissioners)

**Property Tax Equity** -Provide for a more equitable, transparent, and understandable property tax system (Assessors)


**Real Property Sales Disclosure** -Provide for the disclosure of sales data for all real property, (includes non-residential but not agricultural land or subsurface rights on mineral deeds) (Assessors)


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Torrance County Board of County Commissioners does hereby support the legislative priorities of the New Mexico Association of Counties as set forth above, and urges that legislation incorporating these priorities be enacted by the state legislature during its 2014 Regular legislative session

**ADOPTED** and passed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013.

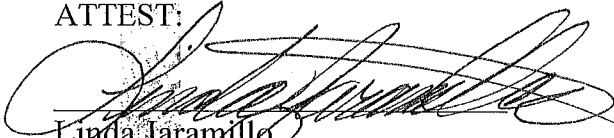
**TORRANCE COUNTY COMMISSION**

  
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Linda Jaramillo  
County Clerk

