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State of New Mexico County of Otero

RESOLUTION NO. 10-12-17/106-17 SMOKING AND TOBACCO POLICY

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of New Mexico, in enacting the Clean Indoor Air Act (Section 24-16-1 to 24-16-11) N.M.S.A. 1978 Comp. (1991 Replacement) has determined that the smoking of tobacco, or any other weed plant is a positive danger to health and a health hazard to those who are present in enclosed places; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commission of Otero County, New Mexico recognizes the need and rights of those who wish to breathe smoke-free-air; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commission recognizes the hazards caused by exposure to environmental tobacco smoke and chewing tobacco products, it shall be the policy of Otero County to provide a tobacco and smoke free environment for all employees and visitors. This policy covers the smoking of any tobacco product and the use of oral tobacco products or "spit" tobacco, and it applies to both employees and non-employee visitors of the offices housed in buildings which are leased, managed, or owned by Otero County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that <u>ALL enclosed indoor areas which Otero County leases, manages or owns</u> shall be designated as **NON SMOKING & TOBACCO FREE** and it shall be unlawful to smoke, to carry or hold a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind that emits smoke, steam or vapor within these premises. Nor shall any individual be permitted to chew or spit tobacco within County owned property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that <u>ALL</u> County vehicles will be designated **NON SMOKING** and **TOBACCO** free.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Otero County Commissioners **DO NOT** promote smoking or use of tobacco of any kind.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 12th DAY OF Whom, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OTERO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ATTEST

ROBYN HOLMES OTERO COUNTY CLERK

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JANET T. WHITE, Chairwoman

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