

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT
RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2015-25**

A Resolution Adopting a Moratorium on Hiring for Remaining Fiscal Year 2015

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular meeting on Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Portales Municipal School District Board Room 501 South Abilene, Portales, New Mexico 88130; and,

WHEREAS, the Board is responsible for fiscal oversight and acknowledges an operating deficit for the County general fund of approximately \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-38-1 (1884) the powers of a county as a body politic and corporate are exercised by its Board of County Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-38-19 (1973) provides that [a] board of county commissioners may set the salaries of such employees and deputies as it feels necessary to discharge the functions of the county...; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-38-13 (1876) provides that "the board of county commissioners shall have power at any session to make such orders concerning the property belonging to the county as they may deem expedient; and,

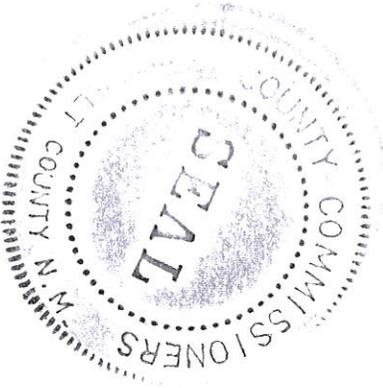
WHEREAS, the Bateman Act, NMSA 1978, Section 6-6-11 (1968) prohibits a county, with certain enumerated exceptions, from incurring debt which it is unable to pay of money actually collected and belonging to the current year; and,

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that this hiring moratorium and attrition policy is necessary in order to insure that County employees retain their positions in this time of severe budgetary constraints while allowing the County to comply with the Bateman Act and practice responsible fiscal management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners that the following Hiring Moratorium:



PASSED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, and SIGNED this 6th day of January, 2015.





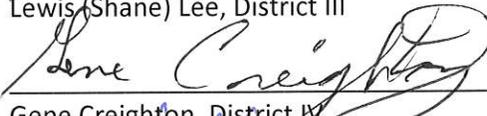
Jake Lopez, District I



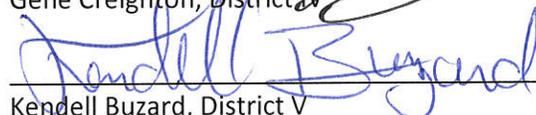
Richard Leal, District II



Lewis (Shane) Lee, District III



Gene Creighton, District IV



Kendell Buzard, District V

ATTEST:



DeAun Searl, County Clerk



