

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION NO. 2025-<u>33</u>

RECOGNIZING THE COMMUNITY WELLNESS COUNCIL (CWC) AS THE OFFICIAL HEALTH COUNCIL FOR VALENCIA COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSES OUTLINED IN THE COUNTY AND TRIBAL HEALTH COUNCILS ACT.

WHEREAS, the Valencia County Commission met upon notice of a Business Meeting duly published on May 7, 2025 at 5:00 P.M. in the Valencia County Administration Building, 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031; and,

WHEREAS, in 2019, the New Mexico Legislature repealed the Maternal and Child Health Plan Act and enacted the County and Tribal Health Councils Act, §24-lJ-l through 24-lJ-6 NMSA 1978, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of County and Tribal Health Councils are to improve the health of New Mexicans by encouraging the development of comprehensive, community-based health planning councils to identify and address local health needs and priorities; and,

WHEREAS, the Act requires the Board of County Commissioners of a county or leadership of a tribe to recognize only a single health council for its jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, a board shall recognize only a county or tribal health council whose members represent a diverse spectrum of community interests, including individuals and public, private, and nonprofit entities, and,

WHEREAS, the health council shall be responsible for conducting all activities as required by the Act, and its amendments, and,

WHEREAS, the NM Department of Health shall ensure long-term viability of health councils, provide training and other support, administer funding, and adopt and promulgate rules as necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act to health councils, and,

WHEREAS, the Community Wellness Council, Health Council for Valencia County has operated for 13 years in Valencia County under the Maternal and Child Health Plan Act and plans to continue under the County and Tribal Health Councils Act,

WHEREAS, the County Manager or his designee, will be a non-voting member of the Community Wellness Council Board, and act as the liaison between the Community Wellness Council, Valencia County Health Council and the Board of County Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Community Wellness Council, is recognized as the health council for the jurisdiction of Valencia County, for the purpose of fulfilling requirements of the County and Tribal Health Councils Act.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 7th day of May 2025.

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