TORRANCE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 31

A RESOLUTION REPEALING AND RESTATING RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20, AUTHORIZING A 56.25% PICK-UP OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CURRENT PLANS

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 10-11-5, authorizes affiliated public employers to be responsible for making contributions of up to seventy-five percent of its employees' member contributions to the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Torrance County (BCC) is adopting this resolution to enhance the compensation package for current and future employees to assist with retention and recruitment; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2025, the BCC adopted Resolution No. 2025-20, which authorized a 56.25% pick up of PERA Retirement Association Member Contributions for its municipal, police and firefighter employees covered under the PERA Municipal Coverage Plan 2 and PERA Police Coverage Plan 5; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2025, the BCC executed a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) with the Professional Firefighters Association of Torrance County, Local 5441; and

WHEREAS, the CBA authorized the adoption of a PERA Municipal Fire Member Coverage Plan 3 for qualified members; and

WHEREAS, the BCC wishes to repeal and restate Resolution No. 2025-20, to identify all current employee member plans, including the PERA Municipal Fire Member Coverage Plan 3, and to authorize a fifty-six and one quarter percent (56.25%) pick up of PERA Retirement Association Member Contributions for its municipal, police and firefighter employees covered under the PERA Municipal Coverage Plan 2, PERA Police Coverage Plan 5 and PERA Municipal Fire Member Coverage Plan 3; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-11-5, this Resolution is irrevocable (subject to the exceptions set forth in Section 10-11-5) and shall apply to all Torrance County employees within the PERA Municipal Fire Member Coverage Plan 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TORRANCE COUNTY:

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-11-5, the County hereby elects to be responsible for making contributions of fifty-six and one-quarter percent (56.25%) of employees' member contributions to the Public Employees Retirement Association for its firefighter employees under the PERA Municipal Coverage Plan 2, PERA Police Coverage Plan 5 and PERA Municipal Fire Member Coverage Plan 3 effective immediately upon the date of adoption of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 3 DAY OF August, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TORRANCE COUNTY:

Ryan Schwebach, Chair, District 2

Kevin McCall, Vice Chair, District 1

Linda Jaramillo, Member, District 3

ATTEST:

Sylvia Chavez, Torrance County Clerk

Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Garcia, Torrance County Attorney