

## Santa Fe County Proclamation

## PROCLAIMING MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup> 2020 AS "TIBETAN FREEDOM DAY"

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County recognizes the rich cultural history and heritage of Tibet and the Tibetan people; and

WHEREAS, the local Tibetan Community of Santa Fe adds depth and richness to the County; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Tibetans will commemorate more than a half-century of occupation and exile, and the exodus of about 80,000 Tibetans across the Himalayas; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County supports the conclusion of the United States Congress that under the established principle of international law, Tibet is an occupied country whose true representative is the exiled Tibetan government based in India, headed by Sikyong Lobsand Sangay; and

WHEREAS, the Tibetan people acknowledge and honor His Holiness the Dalai Lama, recipient of numerous awards from many governments and institutions, including the Nobel Peace Prize and the United States Congressional Gold Medal, as the Spiritual and Temporal Leader of Tibet, and Santa Fe County encourages the People's Republic of China to enter into discussions with His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan Government to solve the questions of Tibet based on the will of the Tibetan people and ensure respect for the fundamental rights of the Tibetan people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 2020, AS:

## "TIBETAN FREEDOM DAY"

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSI 2020.	ED ON THIS 25th DAY OF FEBRUARY,
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregory S. Shaffer County Attorney

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