RESOLUTION 13-58


WHEREAS, Frieda Lawrence intended their property near San Cristóbal, in Taos County, known as the D.H. Lawrence Ranch, to be given "...to an organization to be created and sponsored by the University of New Mexico, providing they succeed in making a perpetual D.H. Lawrence Memorial or Foundation...," and

WHEREAS, the D.H. Lawrence Ranch has been closed to public access and devoid of regular educational activities for five years; and

WHEREAS, the cultural and literary legacy of D. H. Lawrence remains alive for admirers of his works around the world; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of dollars have been donated by D.H. Lawrence’s admirers in Taos and elsewhere and transferred to the University of New Mexico for the preservation of the Ranch and its historic structures; and

WHEREAS, by being closed and unutilized, the D.H. Lawrence Ranch is not fulfilling its potential as a major resource for the region, generating tourism, commerce, and educational activities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Taos that we strongly support efforts by supporters of the D.H. Lawrence Ranch to develop equitable, shared responsibilities with the University of New Mexico recognizing the essential role the Taos community must play in the revitalization of the Ranch.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, this 22nd day of October, 2013, at the Regular Meeting of the Town Council by the following vote:

Mayor Pro Tem Andrew T. Gonzales
Councilmember Rudy C. Abeyta
Councilmember Michael A. Silva
Councilmember Frederick A. Peralta

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Darren M. Cordova, Mayor

ATTEST:

Renee Lucero, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

C. Brian James, Town Attorney