



RESOLUTION NO 07-97

COMMITMENT TO CLEAN ENERGY

WHEREAS, the Town of Taos promotes conservation and the study of the use of renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, electricity generation produces more harmful air pollution than any other single human activity and the emissions from traditional generation methods contribute to respiratory illnesses, and also contribute significantly to global warming; and

WHEREAS, greenhouse gas emissions can be reduced in a cost-effective manner that enhances economic development by applying currently available energy efficiency technologies and renewable energy programs that save money, create jobs and strengthen local economies, and improves energy security by diversifying our energy supply; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Duran signed the U.S. Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement which calls for cities, communities and the federal government to take actions to reduce global warming pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Taos supports New Mexico's energy policies which protect our air, reduce the effects of greenhouse gas emissions, and increase our energy security:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council, the governing body of the Town of Taos, in the interest of promoting the health of its citizens and protecting the environment, commits the Town of Taos to:

- 1.) A "20% by 2010 Clean Energy Campaign";**
- 2.) Purchasing twenty percent of the energy needs for the Town's municipal facilities from clean energy sources by the year 2010;**
- 3.) Investigate all options for meeting that goal and beginning the purchases as soon as possible, including purchasing RECs (Renewable Energy Certificates), local clean energy installations and possible state and federal funding opportunities.**

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, this 20th day of November 2007 at the Regular Meeting of the Town Council that was duly published.

ATTEST:

Renee Lucero, Town Clerk

By: _____
Mayor Bobby F. Duran