



**TOWN OF TAOS
RESOLUTION 08-59**

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING TAOS AS HOME TO THE 2009 WORLD PEACE WEEK TO BE HELD FROM MAY 26 -31, 2009 WITH THE GOAL OF DEVELOPING A REALISTIC GRASSROOTS STRATEGY FOR IMPLEMENTING PEACE, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Whereas, people all over the world recognize Taos as a diverse community that has lived in peace and harmony with the human and natural environment for many generations and that we provide a unique setting for the 2009 World Peace *Week* ; and

Whereas, we believe that to ensure a viable and sustainable future of our Town and the world, it is in our interest to study, develop and promote new ways to resolve conflicts between nations, religions and peoples of differing cultures by building trust and respect; and

Whereas, to ensure the viable and sustainable future of our Town and the world, it is in our interest to study, develop and promote sustainable methods of agriculture, energy production, and building construction to reduce the incentives to go to war over resources; and

Whereas, among the people of Taos are pioneers in the study and practice of conflict resolution, peace making, social Justice, Fair Trade, sustainable methods of agriculture, energy production, and building construction, it is our responsibility in this time of political, economic and environmental crisis to bring people together from all over the globe to develop a common strategy for implementing urgently needed solutions; and

Whereas, the Town of Taos, as home to the 2009 World Peace *Week* will be admired and respected by people all over the world as a pioneer for peace, social justice and a sustainable future; and

Whereas, thousands of people are expected to attend the World Peace Week, and will discover the rich history, culture and environment of Taos.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Town of Taos that: 1) The Town endorses and is honored to be the host location for the World Peace *Week* from May 26 - 31, 2009, to be offered by the Taos Peace House and its member organizations, in collaboration with the people and businesses of Taos, who will plan, promote and participate in bringing prominent experts, artists, visionaries and the public to the World Peace Week with the goal of developing a common strategy for peace, social justice and a sustainable future; and 2) that the Town of Taos will provide its good will, the use of

the Town Convention Center, and its general encouragement and support to help make the 2009 World Peace Week a success.

Duly passed, adopted and approved this 18th day of November, 2008.

Councilmember Darren M. Cordova	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Rudy C. Abeyta	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember A. Eugene Sanchez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Amy Quintana	<u>yes</u>

TOWN OF TAOS

Bobby F. Duran, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Renee Lucero, Town Clerk

Allen Ferguson, Town Attorney