SANTA FE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2009-78

INTRODUCED BY:

Commissioner Vigil

A RESOLUTION

In Support of HR 1064 the Youth PROMISE ACT

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County is committed to ensuring that youth lead productive, safe, healthy, gang-free and law-abiding lives; and

WHEREAS, evidence-based and promising practices related to juvenile delinquency and criminal street crime activity prevention and intervention is needed to help build individual, family, and community strength and resiliency in youth; and

WHEREAS, HR 1064, the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth PROMISE Act), introduced by Congressman Robert "Bobby" Scott on February 13, 2009, would amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 and the Violent Crime control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Youth PROMISE Act establishes a PROMISE Advisory Panel to assist the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in:

- Assessing and developing standards and evidence-based practices to prevent juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity;

- Collecting data in designated geographic areas to assess the needs and existing resources for juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention; and

WHEREAS, the Youth PROMISE Act authorizes awarding grants to local governments to:
• Plan, assess, and implement PROMISE plans and programs for juvenile
delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention,
especially for at-risk youth, in local communities;
• Hire and train law enforcement officers as youth-oriented police to work with
local PROMISE Coordinating Councils, other community-based organizations,
and high-risk youths;
• Extend and increase funding for juvenile accountability block grants through
Fiscal Year 2013;
• Create and expand state, local, and tribal juvenile witness and victim protection
programs; and

WHEREAS, the County should support HR 1064 because it could provide additional
resources to support the County’s gang prevention and intervention efforts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioner of
Santa Fe County, by adoption of this Resolution, supports HR 1064 (Scott): Youth Prison
Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth
PROMISE Act), which would provide funding for evidence-based and promising practices
related to juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention to
help build individual, family and community strength and resiliency to ensure that youth lead
productive, safe, healthy, gang-free, and law-abiding lives.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14 day of April, 2009.
1 VALERIE ESPINOZA, SANTA FE COUNTY CLERK
2 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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5 STEVE ROSS, SANTA FE COUNTY ATTORNEY
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