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RESOLUTION
OF THE ALAMO NAVAJO CHAPTER
RESOLUTION NO. ANC

05-22-25, 9-a

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CATRON COUNTY'S DECLARATION OF DISASTER DUE TO EXTREME AND CONTINUAL INJURY AND DAMAGE CAUSE BY MEXICAN GREY WOLVES

WHERE AS:

1. Alamo Navajo Chapter is a Local Governance Certified Chapter of the Navajo Nation and is delegated the authority and responsibility to plan, approve and implement community concerns to benefit the people of Alamo; and
2. Alamo Navajo Chapter has elected its chapter officials to conduct its political affairs with the Navajo Nation and to provide leadership in matters that pertain to the well-being of all the Alamo people; and
3. The Alamo Navajo Chapter met in a duly notices, regular meeting on May 22, 2025, at the Chapter Huse in Alamo, N.M. 87825; and
4. Livestock production remains a critical economic and cultural foundation of Catron County's and neighboring rural counties, and the introduction and proliferation of Mexican grey wolves have led to sustained livestock losses in Catron County, which have increased exponentially in recent months to disaster levels, decimating the local ranching economy and causing growing impacts regionally; and
5. Mexican grey wolves have become increasingly habituated and aggressive in Catron County, as evidenced by numerous incidents of wolves stalking children, roaming in safety of residents and visitors, causing a widespread fear and trauma in local communities; and
6. The Catron County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 56-2025 on April 8, 2025 formally declaring a public safety disaster in Caton County due to the threat of injury and damage caused by Mexican Grey wolves; and
7. Resolution No. 56-2025 acknowledges that all locally available public and private resources are insufficient to cope with the escalating wolf crisis; and
8. Catron County's emergency declaration invokes the use of all available county resources and necessary emergency powers, and formally requests immediate assistance and relief from the State of New Mexico and the federal government under All Hazard Emergency Management

Act, NMSA 1978, 12-10-1 et seq., the New Mexico Civil Emergency Preparedness Act, NMSA 1978, 12-10-1 to 12-10-11, and other emergency statutes; and

9. The Alamo Navajo Chapter finds that the harms reported by Catron County constitute a continuing and regional emergency that threatens public safety, economic stability, and the cultural foundations of rural life in Western New Mexico.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

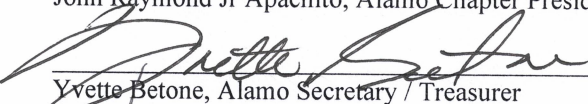
1. By the Alamo Navajo Chapter, that the Chapter formally supports Catron County's declaration of a public-safety disaster and urges the Governor of New Mexico and relevant state and federal agencies to immediately respond with funding, personnel, and emergency resources as requested by Catron County.
2. The Alamo Navajo Chapter finds that the conditions reported by Catron County constitute a continuing and regional emergency requiring urgent and sustained intergovernmental coordination.
3. The Alamo Navajo Chapter calls upon all appropriate agencies, including the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, the Department of Game and Fish, The Department of Finance and Administration, and the U.S. Fish Wildlife Service, to take immediate steps to mitigate further harm and to restore balance to the impacted areas.

CERTIFICATION

We, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Alamo Chapter at the duly call meeting in Alamo, New Mexico at which a quorum was present and the same was passed by a vote of 24 in favor and 0 opposed 4 abstained this 22 day of May 2025.


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Motion: Sherry Padilla

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