

The Council of the City of Albuquerque

November 5, 2007

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, Veterans Employment and Training Section, in partnership with the New Mexico Veterans Integration Center, recognizes the need for care of homeless veterans; and

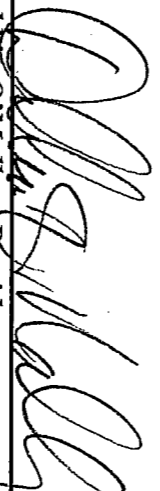
WHEREAS, like a soldier in combat, a homeless veteran must continue to do battle with new enemies including: lack of shelter, unemployment, physical and emotional trauma, legal barriers, substance abuse and hopelessness; and

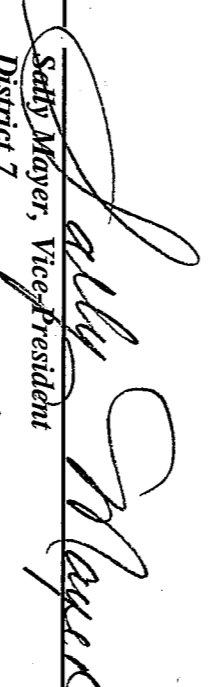
WHEREAS, the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions aids the homeless veteran in regaining his or her dignity and self respect by offering a "Hand up"; and


WHEREAS, the term "Stand Down" is a military term originating from times of war when exhausted combat troops were given the opportunity to return to a place of relative security to rest and recover; and


WHEREAS, the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions is hosting the "Stand Down" event that will target veterans and provide free services including safe haven, a hot meal, medical check-ups and more.

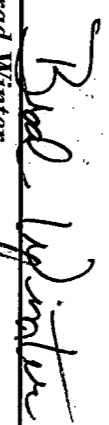
BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE NEW MEXICO HOMELESS VETERANS "STAND DOWN" EVENT AS A TIME TO SUPPORT OUR HOMELESS VETERANS AND RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATION THEY HAVE SHOWN TO OUR COUNTRY.



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