

## Gila Regional Medical Center

## **RESOLUTION 2016-8 TO GRANT COUNTY**

August 12, 2016

WHEREAS, Gila Regional Medical Center is a Grant County-owned, not-for-profit Acute-care Hospital which provides a number of inpatient and outpatient healthcare services within the primary service area of Grant County, and includes the geographic service area of Grant County, Luna County, Hidalgo County and Catron County; and

WHEREAS, Grant County owns the land, buildings and equipment that make up Gila Regional Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the Grant County Board of Commissioners appoints the Gila Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees who have a fiduciary responsibility to oversee the Strategic and Operational activities of Gila Regional Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the Gila Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the entrusted land, buildings and equipment in an effort to fulfill the Mission of Gila Regional Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, Gila Regional Medical Center has for several years continued to experience significant reductions in reimbursement from a variety of private and governmental payors, along with significant reductions in the State-funded supplemental support of the Medicaid program; and

WHEREAS, Gila Regional Medical Center has annual and ongoing needs for capital building improvements and capital equipment upgrades to continue with its commitment to providing the highest quality of care possible for the citizens of Grant County and the surrounding areas, and to continue to recruit and retain the best medical providers possible; and

WHEREAS, the provision of financial support for rural healthcare facilities via local taxation is a common and accepted model in New Mexico and across the country; and

WHEREAS, Gila Regional Medical Center is in need of some level of county tax revenue assistance in order to support ongoing, needed capital building improvements and capital equipment upgrades;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Gila Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees formally requests that the Grant County Board of Commissioners explore and pursue the available options for providing some level of county tax support to Gila Regional Medical Center on an ongoing basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gila Regional Board of Trustees request that the Grant County Board of Commissioners take all the steps necessary as soon as practical to allow for the assessment and/or collection of these county tax monies that shall then be made available to Gila Regional Medical Center for the purposes of supporting ongoing capital building improvements and capital equipment upgrades.

Adopted by the Gila Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees, August 12, 2016

Magdaleno Manzanarez, Secretary/Treasurer

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