

*Be it remembered that at the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Luna County in Deming New Mexico, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020, the following proceedings were had and entered of record.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-62**

**APPOINTMENT TO THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Finance Committee (“LFC”) was first established in 1957 and is responsible for reviewing all laws governing finances and departmental operations and recommending changes thereto and annually reviewing budgets and appropriations requests and making recommendations thereon to the whole legislature;

**WHEREAS**, until this month Southwest New Mexico has had a voice on the Legislative Finance Committee, first with Sen. Ike Smalley and then with his successor Sen. John Arthur Smith, both of whom chaired the LFC;

**WHEREAS**, Senate District 35 is now represented by Sen. Crystal Diamond, and encompasses Dona Ana, Hidalgo, Luna And Sierra, it is the only district that includes all three of New Mexico’s ports of entry with the Republic of Mexico and also includes two of the three interstates in the State;

**WHEREAS**, New Mexico law requires that the LFC be comprised of equal members from both the House of Representatives and the Senate and representation from the two political parties in proportion to each respective house; and


**WHEREAS**, the composition of the LFC should also be geographically representative of the State and currently only 2 of the current members represent the southern part of the state, namely Rep. Rudy Martinez and Rep. Candie Sweetser.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Luna County urges the consideration and appointment of Sen. Crystal Diamond to the Legislative Finance Committee to continue the long history of representation of southern and southwestern New Mexico on the Legislative Finance Committee.

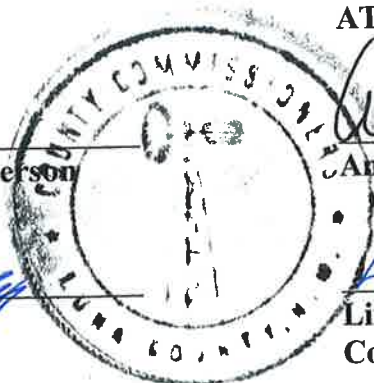
**Done at Deming, New Mexico this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020**


**Board of County Commissioners of Luna County**

**ATTEST:**

  
John S. Sweetser, Chairperson  
Commissioner, District 3

  
Barbara L. Reedy,  
Commissioner, District 1



  
Andrea Rodriguez, County Clerk

  
Linda M. Smrkovsky,  
Commissioner, District 2