CITY of ALBUQUERQUE TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

_ ENACTMENT NO. 3-2020-118 R-20-115 COUNCIL BILL NO. SPONSORED BY: Brook Bassan, Diane G. Gibson, Cynthia D. Borrego 1 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 2 3 CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY LEAVE PROVISIONS OF THE **EMERGENCY FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE EXPANSION ACT THROUGH** 4 5 **DECEMBER 31st, 2021.** WHEREAS, the United States Congress adopted the Emergency Family and 6 7 Medical Leave Expansion Act in March of 2020; and 8 WHEREAS, Section 2601 of the Act requires employers to provide paid sick leave to employees who become ill or are quarantined with COVID-19, or who 9 are the primary care givers for a person ill with COVID-19. Full time 10 Bracketed/Strikethrough-Material] - Deletion 11 employees are entitled to 80 hours of sick leave and part time employees are [Bracketed/Underscored Material] - New 12 entitled to the average number of hours that they work over a two-week 13 period; and 14 WHEREAS, Section 7001 of the Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act, so as to assist employers that incur COVID-19 sick leave 15 expenses, established a federal tax credit of \$200 to \$511 a day per employee 16 17 for employers who provide sick leave under Section 2601 of the Act; and WHEREAS, Section 2601 of the Act will expire on December 31st, 2020, the 18 impacts of which will place an undue burden on employers already struggling 19 20 to stay in business through a recession and will reduce the likelihood 21 employees directly impacted by COVID-19 will receive sick leave; and 22 WHEREAS, The Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solution (HEROES) Act extends the Sick Leave Tax 23 Credit Provisions of the Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act through 24 25 December 31st 2021.

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