

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-21-163 ENACTMENT NO. R-2021-052

SPONSORED BY: Klarissa J. Peña

1 RESOLUTION  
2 DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF THE ROUTE 66  
3 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN 2026; DIRECTING THE ARTS AND CULTURE  
4 SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR A  
5 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION EVENT IN THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE.  
6 WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress passed House Bill 66 in July 2018, which  
7 established a Route 66 Centennial Planning Commission, and directed that a  
8 plan on the preservation needs of Route 66 be prepared; and  
9 WHEREAS, states and cities along the historic Route 66 have also begun  
10 planning for celebratory events, through various planning and advisory  
11 commissions; and  
12 WHEREAS, Route 66 National Historic Trail, includes all the alignments of  
13 U.S. Highway 66 in existence between 1926 and 1985, extending along a route  
14 of approximately 2,400 miles from Chicago, Illinois, to Santa Monica,  
15 California; and  
16 WHEREAS, Route 66 runs through the heart of the City of Albuquerque,  
17 along Central Avenue, and was a major economic, social and political center  
18 of the City from 1939 to 1983; and  
19 WHEREAS, present-day Route 66 along Central Avenue connects locals  
20 and visitors to the city's diverse neighborhoods, each offering unique and  
21 authentic Albuquerque experiences, including, the Southwest Mesa, the South  
22 Valley, Old Town, Downtown, the University of New Mexico, Nob Hill and the  
23 East Gateway; and  
24 WHEREAS, the Historic Route 66 includes a portion of the El Camino Real,  
25 the path that led Spanish Colonists through the unfamiliar territory of New  
26 Mexico, and connected Spanish, and Native American ancient cultures; and

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1       **WHEREAS, the City’s Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 includes an**  
2       **appropriation of funding in the amount of \$300,000 to begin a planning**  
3       **process for a Route 66 celebratory event to be held in the City.**

4       **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF**  
5       **ALBUQUERQUE:**

6       **SECTION 1. That the Albuquerque City Council declares its support for the**  
7       **Route 66 Centennial Celebration that will occur in 2026.**

8       **SECTION 2. To the extent that additional funding beyond the \$300,000 that**  
9       **has already been appropriated is necessary, the Albuquerque City Council**  
10       **directs the Arts and Culture Department to begin planning and securing**  
11       **funding for a Route 66 celebratory event in the City of Albuquerque. The**  
12       **Department shall provide a semi-annual update to the Council on the status of**  
13       **the planning and funding activities.**

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2 BY A VOTE OF: 9 FOR 0 AGAINST.

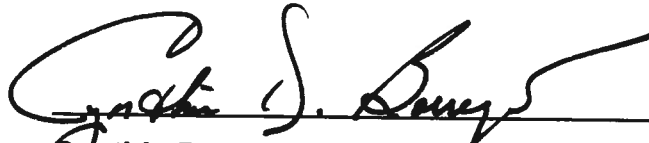
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Cynthia D. Borrego, President  
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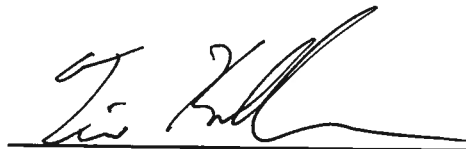
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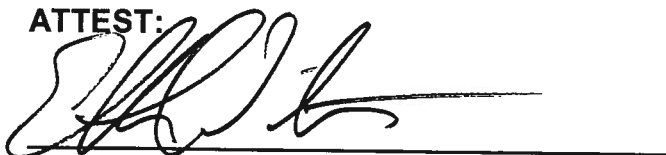
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ATTEST:



Ethan Watson, City Clerk

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