CATRON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION 021-2021

SETTING THE SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH TERMS
COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2021 AND THEREAFTER
PER THE CONSTITUTION & LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS, the Catron County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 8th day of
October, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Catron County Fire Administration Building, 3 Mountaineer
Rd., Reserve, New Mexico; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 4-38-1 (1884) the powers of a county as a
body politic and corporate shall be exercised by a board of county commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 27 of the New Mexico Constitution provides that “[n]o
law shall be enacted giving any extra compensation to any public officer, servant, agent or
contractor after services are rendered or contract made; nor shall the compensation of any officer
be increased or diminished during his term of office, except as otherwise provided in this
constitution;” and,

WHEREAS, Article XX, Section 3 of the New Mexico Constitution provides that “[t]he
term of office of every state, county or district officer, except those elected at the first election
held under this constitution, and those elected to fill vacancies, shall commence on the first day
of January next after his election;” and,

WHEREAS, Catron County is recognized by the New Mexico Department of Finance
Administration as a “Class B under” County per NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-5 (2018) for salary
purposes, see, DFA Memo Dated April 30, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-5 (2018) sets the maximum annual salaries of
elected officials, for a Class B counties under three hundred million valuation, at the following
maximum rates: county commissioners $21,534 each; treasurer, $64,844; county assessor
$64,844; county sheriff $67,814; county clerk $64,844; and probate judge $15,098; and,
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners may set salaries, uniformly, up to or any amount less than the maximum rate set by NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-5 (2018); and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-12.3 (A) (2018) states “[t]he intent of the legislature when increasing the maximum salaries of elected county officials is to provide for equitable salary increases;” and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-12.3 (B) (2018) states that “[t]he majority of a board of county commissioners may provide for salary increases for elected county officials; however, a salary increase shall not take effect until the first day of the term of an elected county official who takes office after the date that salary increase is approved;” and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners elects to uniformly prospectively increase the salaries of elected officials in amounts less than the statutory maximum in recognition of the budgetary constraints of Catron County; and,

WHEREAS, elected officials commencing their new term after January 1, 2021 are eligible for the salary detailed below effective at the beginning of their term or starting at the first payroll in January 2021.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that those elected officials commencing a new term after the adoption of this Resolution shall be paid at the rates detailed below:

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<th>Catron County Office</th>
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APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 8th day of October, 2020

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

M. Keith Riddle, Clerk

Anita Hand, Vice-Chair, District I

John Cliff Snyder Commissioner, District II

Van J. "Bucky" Allred, Chairman, District III