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ORDINANCE 008-2014

An Ordinance Relating to Administration, Adopting a Personnel Policy; Setting forth Personnel Rules and Regulations Establishing Consistent, Basic Policies and Practices Concerning Relations between the County and its Employees

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 3-18-1 provides that municipalities, and also counties pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-1, have the power to “protect generally the property of its municipality and its inhabitants” and to “preserve peace and order”; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-1 *et seq.* provides that counties may adopt ordinances, not inconsistent with statutory or constitutional limitations placed on counties, to discharge those powers necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of the county and its inhabitants; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 3-13-4 (1965) allows municipalities and counties to establish a personnel merit system for the hiring, promotion, discharge and general regulation of municipal and county employees.

