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### Resolution 2022- 01

Expressing Opposition to the Rule Changes approved by New Mexico Democratic lawmakers on November 1, 2021, banning firearms and other weapons from the New Mexico state Capitol building.

**WHEREAS**, a ban on weapons in the New Mexico state Capitol building will go into effect on December 6, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the ban on weapons in the state Capitol building diverges from a decades-long practice of allowing the lawful possession of firearms in the state Capitol building; and

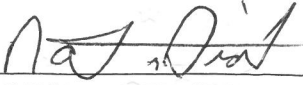
**WHEREAS**, the Town of Estancia is expressing opposition to the ban on weapons in the state Capitol building; and

**WHEREAS**, the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution, ratified in 1791, protects the inalienable and individual right of the people to keep and bear arms; and

**WHEREAS**, New Mexico is known as an "open carry" state and New Mexico law, with certain exceptions, generally permits the open possession of firearms by most adults.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF ESTANCIA, NEW MEXICO**, that the Town of Estancia Board of Trustees opposes the recent rule changes approved by New Mexico Democratic lawmakers banning firearms and other weapons from the New Mexico state Capitol building and declares that it has no intention to enact such a ban on weapons at public meetings of the Town of Estancia; and, further, encourages the residents of the Town of Estancia to be steadfast in the lawful and peaceful exercise of their individual freedoms while participating in matters of public interest and in the course of daily life.

**ACCEPTED AND APPROVED** this 4th day of January 2022 in regular session by the Town of Estancia Board of Trustees, at Estancia, Torrance County, New Mexico.

  
MAYOR, NATHAN DIAL

ATTEST BY:

  
MICHELLE JONES, TOWN OF ESTANCIA CLERK/TREASURER