STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LEA RESOLUTION NO. 22-FEB-034R

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LEA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HOBBS REGARDING COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICE/AIRLINE SUBSIDY AT THE LEA COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 – 2022

WHEREAS, Lea County has for several years entered into an agreement with the Economic Development Corporation of Lea County (EDCLC) to secure airline service to the Lea County Regional Airport; and

WHEREAS, the EDCLC has secured such airline service from United Airlines; and

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2021 by Lea County Resolution No. 21-JUL-137R, Lea County approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Hobbs to share the costs of an airline subsidy, not to exceed \$1,150,000.00 per entity; and

WHEREAS, in February 2022, Lea County and the City of Hobbs were advised that the previously agreed-upon subsidy sum was insufficient to sustain the current level of commercial flights in and out of Lea County; and

WHEREAS, Lea County and the City of Hobbs agree to contribute up to an additional \$650,000.00 each toward the combined airline subsidy pursuant to an Amended Memorandum of Understanding to sustain commercial airline service to and from Lea County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Lea County that the Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for fiscal year 2021 - 2022 is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission Chair and/or County Manager may finalize and sign any agreements consistent with the terms of this resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 17th day of February, 2022, by the Lea County Board of County Commissioners in an open meeting in Lovington, New Mexico.

LEA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Dean Jackson (District 1), Chair

Voted: (Yes) No Absta

Gary G. Eidson (District 3), Vice Chair

Voted Yes No Abstain

Rebecca Long (District 2), Member Voted: Yes Abstain Pat Sims (District 5), Member Voted: Yes No Abstain ATTEST: Keith Manes Lea County Clerk

Teri Davis, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Jonathan Sena (District 4), Member

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Voted: (Yes) No

W. Caldwell, County Attorney John