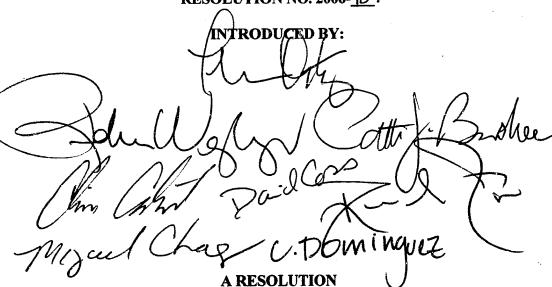
CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-104



OBJECTING TO PROPOSED EXPANDED NUCLEAR WEAPONS ACTIVITIES,
INCLUDING PLUTONIUM PIT PRODUCTION, AT THE LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL
LABORATORY AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO INFORM FEDERAL
AUTHORITIES OF THE OBJECTIONS.

WHEREAS, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), the semiautonomous nuclear weapons agency within the Department of Energy, has announced its plans to expand nuclear weapons activities at the Los Alamos National Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, these expanded activities are in addition to nuclear weapons activities previously expanded in 1999; and

WHEREAS, these expanded activities include the planned quadrupling of plutonium pit production from 20 to 80 per year, with the near doubling of related radioactive wastes; and

WHEREAS, plutonium pits are used to trigger existing nuclear weapons and will be used in future new-design nuclear weapons; and

WHEREAS, the use of plutonium creates health and environmental hazards; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Santa Fe does not support the creation of further health and environmental hazards related to nuclear weapons for the citizens of northern New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, NNSA took 18 months from its formal "Notice of Intent" to final release of its plans through a draft "Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operations at Los Alamos National Laboratory", but granted the public only 60 days to comment on 1,700 technical pages and hundreds of referenced documents; and

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the city, through previously adopted resolutions, for Cities for Peace, Mayor's Peace Initiative to promote nuclear disarmament; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has previously passed Resolution No. 2003-64 which opposed expansion of "pit" facilities construction at Los Alamos National Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has also previously passed Resolution No. 2005-39 supporting compliance by the United States with the treaty on nonproliferation of nuclear weapons; and

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of United States government to help constrain the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, but should lead by concrete example.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE that the governing body hereby states its objection to the expansion of nuclear weapons activities at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, including increased plutonium pit production; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body objects to the insufficient 60-day public comment period, and strongly advises NNSA to grant a 30-day extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body directs the City Clerk to send copies of this resolution to our congressional delegation, our governor, the Department of Energy and the National Nuclear Security Administration.

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