

**VILLAGE OF ANGEL FIRE
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-06
A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE VILLAGE OF ANGEL FIRE TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE SISTER
CITIES INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM**

Whereas: The Village of Angel Fire is honored to be the home of the Viet Nam Veterans State Park, and;

Whereas: The Viet Nam Veterans State Park is known to tens of thousands of visitors and veterans as the Angel Fire Memorial, and;

Whereas: The Westphall Family created the memorial in memory of their son, David, who died in Quang Tri province during the Viet Nam War, and;

Whereas: The founder of the Memorial's Peace and Brotherhood Chapel, Dr. Victor Westphall visited Quang Tri province feeling that healing was important to both countries, and;

Whereas: The Sister Cities International Program provides a mechanism for countries around the world to:

- *Develop* municipal partnerships between U.S. cities, counties, and states and similar jurisdictions in other nations.
- *Provide* opportunities for city officials and citizens to experience and explore other cultures through long-term community partnerships.
- *Create* an atmosphere in which economic and community development can be implemented and strengthened.
- *Stimulate* environments through which communities will creatively learn, work, and solve problems together through reciprocal cultural, educational, municipal, business, professional and technical exchanges and projects.
- *Collaborate* with organizations in the United States and other countries which share similar goals and;

Whereas: Various New Mexico cities currently enjoy Sister City relationships with eighteen cities in countries around the world, and;

Whereas: The Board of Directors of the David Westphall Foundation is requesting that the Village of Angel Fire establish a Sister City relationship with Quang Tri City in the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, and;

Whereas: Members of the David Westphall Foundation have existing relationships with municipal leaders in Quang Tri City;

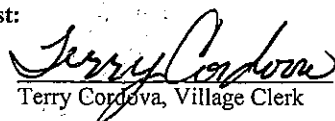
Now Therefore Be it Resolved that the Village of Angel Fire, New Mexico, USA become involved in Sister Cities International and work with the David Westphall Foundation to establish a Sister City relationship with Quang Tri City, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th Day of January, 2012



Stuart Hamilton, Mayor

Attest:



Terry Cordova, Village Clerk