

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-21

**AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR A *PRESERVE AMERICA*
COMMUNITY DESIGNATION**

WHEREAS, The Town of Silver City, New Mexico recognizes and supports historic and cultural preservation as a key component of economic vitality and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, In 1999 Town Council of Silver City approved, thru the Town's Land Use Code, preserving the richly varied architecture in the historic core of the community; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, the Town re-emphasized in its Comprehensive Plan the value of preserving it's historic districts and buildings and coordinating with the State of New Mexico Historic Preservation Division and other appropriate agencies on opportunities for preservation grants; and

WHEREAS, *Preserve America* is an initiative developed through cooperation between the White House, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, The goals of this initiative include the sharing of knowledge about our Nation's past through the recognition of regional uniqueness and local participation in the preservation of culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS, This initiative is compatible with the Town's interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, The Town council passed Resolution 2006-18 supporting an application to the *Preserve America* Historic Preservation Fund for conservation and rehabilitation planning of the Old Waterworks complex; and

WHEREAS, Designation as a *Preserve America* Community will improve the Town's ability to protect and promote its historical resources and heritage for economic development and community revitalization while encouraging citizens and visitors to appreciate local historic resources through education and tourism programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Silver City, New Mexico, that it approves an application for designation as a *Preserve America* Community to be signed by the mayor as the chief elected governing official.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of May 2006.

Attest:

James R. Marshall, Mayor

Jane Toomajanian, Town Clerk