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AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ANDREW BENALLIE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BLACK MESA CHAPTER TO THE BLACK MESA REVIEW BOARD

PURPOSE: Confirming reappointment of Andrew Benallie to the Black Mesa Review Board.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate review the proposed resolution in detail.
PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

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BLACK MESA CHAPTER TO THE BLACK MESA REVIEW BOARD

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. 701 (A)(1) the Naabik’iyáti Committee has the authority to
grant final confirmation of appointments to boards, commissions and colleges unless
otherwise provided in law.

B. The appointments to the Black Mesa Review Board as made by the respective
Chapters require confirmation by the Naabik’iyáti Committee. 2 N.N.C. 903(B)

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The purpose of the Black Mesa Review Board shall be to advocate for fair and just
compensation for Navajo families within the five Navajo Nation Chapters whose
socio-economic and environmental interests are adversely affected or impacted by
coal mining and related operations of Peabody Western Coal Company. 2 N.N.C. §
902
B. The Board shall include one member who shall be appointed by the Black Mesa Chapter. 2 N.N.C. § 903(A)

C. The Black Mesa Chapter appointed Andrew Benallie as the Chapter member of the Black Mesa Review Board in 2015. See Exhibit A.

D. The Black Mesa Chapter has reappointed Andrew Benallie as the Chapter member for the Black Mesa Review Board. See Exhibit B.

E. Within 30 days of appointment, each Board appointee shall be presented to the Naabik'íyáti Committee for confirmation. Such confirmation to be for four years commencing upon administration of oath of office. 2 N.N.C. § 903(B)

F. Any Board member may be appointed for consecutive terms, but shall be limited to two consecutive terms. 2 N.N.C. §903(H)

G. The Naabik'íyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council finds it to be in the best interest of the Diné to confirm the reappointment of Andrew Benallie as the Black Mesa Chapter representative to the Black Mesa Review Board.

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT

The Naabik'íyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms the reappointment of Andrew Benallie as the Black Mesa Chapter representative to the Black Mesa Review Board for a term of four(4) years.