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TITLE: An Act Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Establishing the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission by Approving its Plan of Operation

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 00660-19

DATE: March 14, 2019

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACT RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE;
ESTABLISHING THE NAVAJO NATION CENSUS 2020 COMPLETE COUNT
COMMISSION BY APPROVING ITS PLAN OF OPERATION

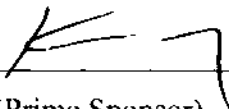
PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to establish the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission by approving its Plan of Operation.

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 to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
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11 AN ACT

12 RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING THE NAVAJO
13 NATION CENSUS 2020 COMPLETE COUNT COMMISSION BY APPROVING ITS
14 PLAN OF OPERATION

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16 **BE IT ENACTED:**

17 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

18 A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti Committee as a standing
19 committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The Naabik'iyáti Committee is empowered to
20 coordinate all federal programs with other standing committees and branches of the
21 Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient delivery of services to the
22 Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C §§ 700 (A), 701 (A)(4).

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24 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

25 A. The United States Department of Commerce - Bureau of Census authorize by the
26 Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section 2 and 9, directs that a census or
27 enumeration be taken every 10 years.
28 B. The U.S. Census Bureau conducts a census to determine the number of people living in
29 the United States. The results of the census determine the number of seats for each state
30 in the U.S. House of Representatives and are used to draw congressional and state

1 legislative districts. Federal agencies use the results to distribute federal funds each year.
2 *See The 2020 Census at a Glance* and *2020 Census Key Dates* attached hereto as **Exhibits**
3 **B** and **C**, respectively.

4 C. In 1999, the former Government Services Committee and Navajo Nation Council
5 through Resolution CAP-46-99 established the Navajo Nation Census 2000 Complete
6 Count Commission by approving the Plan of Operation. The Commission and its Plan
7 of Operation was established under the Legislative Branch of the Navajo Nation for the
8 purpose of conducting the Census 2000 awareness campaign, coordinating work,
9 providing guidance, and promoting and supporting efforts of the entities and
10 organizations involved with the Census 2000 operation. *See CAP-46-99*.

11 D. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to establish Navajo Nation Census 2020
12 Complete Count Commission under the Legislative Branch of the Navajo Nation in
13 order to carry out Census 2020 activities as stated in its Plan of Operation, attached as
14 **Exhibit A**, to ensure a complete and accurate count of Navajo people.

15 E. The Department of Justice has reviewed the Plan of Operation as attached in **Exhibit A**.
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17 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING THE NAVAJO NATION CENSUS 2020 COMPLETE**
18 **COUNT COMMISSION PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE CENSUS 2020**

19 A. The Naabik'iyáti Committee hereby established the Navajo Nation Census 2020
20 Complete Count Commission by approving its Plan of Operation as set forth in the
21 attached **Exhibit A**.

22 B. The Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission is authorized to draft a
23 Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Census Bureau, if necessary, in
24 conformance with Navajo Nation law.

25 C. The Navajo Nation Census 2000 Complete Count Commission and its Plan of
26 Operation is established under the Legislative Branch of the Navajo Nation as a
27 temporary commission and shall exist until it has completed all activities associated
28 with the Census 2020 or until the end of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, whichever
29 occurs earlier.
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