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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Naabik'íyáti';  
Supporting H.R. 292, a congressional bill entitled "THE RURAL BROADBAND  
PERMITTING EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2019"**

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## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0090-20

**DATE:** April 10, 2020

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'; SUPPORTING H.R. 292, A CONGRESSIONAL BILL ENTITLED "THE RURAL BROADBAND PERMITTING EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2019"

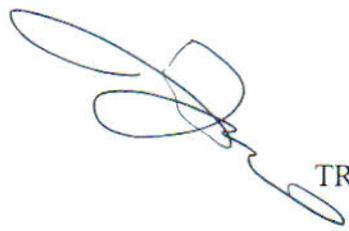
**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if adopted, supporting H.R. 292, a Congressional bill wntitled "The Rural Broadband Permitting Efficiency Act of 2019."

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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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Second Year, 2020

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTTI;  
SUPPORTING H.R. 292, A CONGRESSIONAL BILL ENTITLED "THE RURAL  
BROADBAND PERMITTING EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2019"

WHEREAS:

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700. The committee is empowered to coordinate all federal and state programs with other standing committees for purposes of providing the most efficient delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(4).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A). Purposes of the committee include overseeing the efficient use of all resources of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 500(C).
- C. On January 8, 2019, House Bill 292 was introduced in the United States Congress. See attached Exhibit A. It is entitled "[t]he Rural Broadband Permitting Efficiency Act of 2019." The purpose of the bill is "to allow certain state and Tribal permitting authority to encourage expansion of broadband service to rural and Tribal communities." *Id.*
- D. It is in the best interests of the Navajo Nation to develop and expand high quality telecommunications, including broadband infrastructure, throughout the Navajo Nation. The immediate expansion and improvement of telecommunications is critical

1 and absolutely necessary in coping with COVID-19. This contagious virus is severely  
2 impacting the health and lives of the residents and members of the Navajo Nation.  
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4 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

5 The Navajo Nation hereby supports H.R. 292, a Congressional bill Entitled “The Rural  
6 Broadband Permitting Efficiency Act Of 2019.”  
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