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**TITLE: An Action Relating To Health, Education And Human Services, Resources And Development, Budget And Finance And Naabik'iyáti Committees; Authorizing The Navajo Division Of Community Development To Proceed With And Negotiate A P.L. 93-638 Title I Construction Project Agreement For The Site Selection Evaluation Report (SSER) Phase II For The New Gallup Indian Medical Center (GIMC) At The Rehoboth Site**

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## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0208-20

DATE: August 20, 2020

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; AUTHORIZING THE NAVAJO DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO PROCEED WITH AND NEGOTIATE A P.L. 93-638 TITLE I CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR THE SITE SELECTION EVALUATION REPORT (SSER) PHASE II FOR THE NEW GALLUP INDIAN MEDICAL CENTER (GIMC) AT THE REHOBOTH SITE

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if adopted, would authorize the Navajo Division of Community Development to proceed with and negotiate a P.L. 93-638 Title I Construction Project Agreement for the Site Selection Evaluation Report (SSER) Phase II for the new Gallup Indian Medical Center (GIMC) at the Rehoboth site.

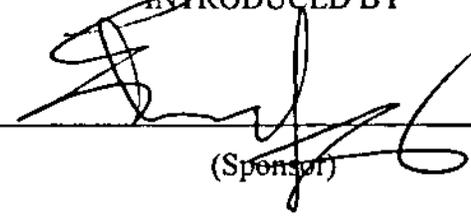
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Resources & Development Committee  
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Budget & Finance Committee  
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Naabik'iyáti' Committee

1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Second Year, 2020

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10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, RESOURCES  
12 AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'  
13 COMMITTEES; AUTHORIZING THE NAVAJO DIVISION OF COMMUNITY  
14 DEVELOPMENT TO PROCEED WITH AND NEGOTIATE A P.L. 93-638 TITLE I  
15 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR THE SITE SELECTION  
16 EVALUATION REPORT (SSER) PHASE II FOR THE NEW GALLUP INDIAN  
17 MEDICAL CENTER (GIMC) AT THE REHOBOTH SITE

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19 BE IT ENACTED:

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21 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

22 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of  
23 the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §400(A). Among other duties and  
24 responsibilities, the committee reviews and recommends agreements and contracts  
25 negotiated with federal, state, regional, and tribal governments, private and Navajo  
26 Nation health and social service authorities, including environmental health, veterans  
27 services or education services subject to applicable laws of the Navajo Nation. 2  
28 N.N.C. § 401(B)(6)(b).

29 B. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo  
30 Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §500(A). Among other duties and responsibilities, the

1 committee “ represent[s] the Navajo Nation at local, state, and federal levels, in cooperation  
2 and coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the appropriate committee of  
3 the Navajo Nation Council on proposed resolutions or actions affecting natural resources;  
4 energy resources; economic and community development; road and transportation matters;  
5 capital improvement projects, including recommending approval of the annual capital  
6 improvement projects budget of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Health Services and  
7 other departments or agencies of the United States; and housing development.” 2 N.N.C.  
8 §501(B)(5).

9 C. The Budget and Finance Committee is established as a standing committee of the  
10 Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 300. The Budget and Finance Committee is  
11 authorized to approve and accept contracts from federal authorities upon the  
12 recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight of the program  
13 which requested the contract. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(15).

14 D. The Naabik’iyáti’ Committee is authorized to approve contracts between the Navajo  
15 Nation and the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the  
16 implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25  
17 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.* (P. L. 93-638 as amended). 2 N.N.C. §701(A)(12).

## 18 19 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

20 A. The funding for the Site Selection and Evaluation Report (SSER) Phase II for the new  
21 Gallup Indian Medical Center (GIMC) at the Rehoboth site, located in Gallup, New  
22 Mexico, will be through the Division of Engineering Services (DES), Indian Health  
23 Services. On November 7, 2019, the DES notified the Navajo Nation by letter,  
24 attached as Exhibit A, that \$200,000 is available to begin the SSER Phase II for the  
25 new GIMC.

26 B. The Naabik’iyáti’ Committee of the Navajo Nation Council by resolution NABIJY-  
27 30-20 approved Rehoboth as the site for the Gallup Indian Medical Center  
28 replacement project, incorporated herein by this reference.

1 C. The Navajo Nation President issued a letter to DES determining that the Navajo  
2 Nation would like to proceed with the SSER Phase II for the new GIMC at the  
3 Rehoboth site, attached as Exhibit B.

4 D. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to proceed with and negotiate a P.L. 93-  
5 638 Title I Construction Project Agreement with the United States Department of  
6 Health and Human Services.

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8 **SECTION THREE. APPROVALS**

9 A. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Navajo Division of Community  
10 Development to proceed with a P.L. 93-638 Title I Construction Project Agreement  
11 for the Site Selection Evaluation Report (SSER) Phase II for the new Gallup  
12 Indian Medical Center (GMIC) at the Rehoboth site to be negotiated between the  
13 Navajo Nation and the Department of Health and Human Services.

14 B. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Navajo Division of Community  
15 Development to advocate for and implement the intent and purposes of this  
16 resolution.