LEGISLATION NO: _0048-21__    SPONSOR: Raymond Smith, Jr.

TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education, and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees, and Navajo Nation Council: Amending Council Resolution CN-88-20, the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2021 Comprehensive Budget; Continuing the Extension of the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Budget through June 30, 2021

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DATE: March 15, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; AMENDING COUNCIL RESOLUTION CN-88-20, THE NAVAJO NATION FISCAL YEAR 2021 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET; CONTINUING THE EXTENSION OF THE NAVAJO NATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION BUDGET THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to approve an amendment to Council Resolution CN-88-20, continuing the budget extension for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration.

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.
PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year 2021

INTRODUCED BY

(Primary Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0048-21

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FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND NAVAJO NATION
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EXTENSION OF THE NAVAJO NATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
BUDGET THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. The Health Education and Human Services committee is empowered to make
recommendations on resolutions involving veterans and veterans services. 2 N.N.C. §
401(B)(6)(a).

B. The Budget and Finance Committee is empowered to appropriate, allocate, cancel, re-
appropriate, and review the use of Navajo Nation funds. 2 NNC. § 301(B)(3).

C. The Naabik’íyáti’ Committee is assigned proposed resolutions that require final action by
the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).

D. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C.
§102(A).
SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Navajo Nation Council approved Council Resolution CN-88-20, the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2021 Comprehensive Budget, on November 30, 2020 and the Navajo Nation President signed CN-88-20 on December 10, 2020, which is attached as Exhibit A (exhibits omitted).

B. Section Four of Resolution CN-88-20 provided an appropriation of half (1/2) the Fiscal Year 2020 funding to the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration – Central Administration, and Veterans Administration – Agency Administration, BU# 103015 and BU#s 103016 – 103020, in order to allow for more time to obtain additional information before approving the Fiscal Year 2021 budgets.

C. As oversight committee for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration the Health, Education and Human Services Committee recommends continuing the extension approved in Council Resolution CN-88-20 for an additional quarter.

D. The Navajo Nation Council amends the Fiscal Year 2021 Comprehensive Budget as indicated in the Section Three below.

SECTION THREE. AMENDING COUNCIL RESOLUTION CN-88-20, THE NAVajo NATION FISCAL YEAR 2021 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET, BY CONTINUING THE EXTENSION TO THE NAVajo NATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

A. The Navajo Nation Council approves the extension of the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Budget for an additional quarter, through June 30, 2021. To that end, the Navajo Nation Council continues the extension for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration to receive three-fourths (3/4) of its annual FY 2020 general fund, indirect cost fund, proprietary fund, special revenue, and fiduciary fund allocations as of September 30, 2020 for the operation of the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration – Central Administration (BU# 1003015) and Navajo Nation Veterans Administration – Agency Administration, (BU# 103016-103020), beginning October 1, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021.
B. The Navajo Nation Council affirms that the continuation of the extension approved in Paragraph A of this section shall be based on one hundred percent (100%) of the final approved Fiscal Year 2020 budget amounts for BU# 103015 (Veterans Administration – Central Administration) and BU#s 103016 – 103020 (Veterans Administration – Agency Administration), as approved in CS-30-19 and signed by the Navajo Nation President on September 13, 2019. In order to maintain consistency between the budget extension amount and the Fiscal Year 2020 General Revenue Fund projections, supplemental appropriations made in Fiscal Year 2020, shall not be included in this budget extension for BU#s 103015, and 103016 – 103020.

C. The Navajo Nation Veterans Administration shall submit its extension budgets to the Office of Management and Budget at the level of funding detailed in Paragraphs A and B above, by March 29 for immediate entry into the Financial Management Information System (“FMIS”).

SECTION FOUR. DIRECTIVE TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

The Navajo Nation Council directs the Office of Management and Budget to enter the budgets in FMIS immediately after presented by the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration.

SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall be effective pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§ 164(A)(17) and 221(B).