TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee, Appointing Dr. Rebecca Izzo Manymules and Dr. David Begay to Serve on the Navajo Nation Human Research Review Board

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DATE: May 27, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, APPOINTING DR. REBECCA IZZO MANYMULES AND DR. DAVID H. BEGAY TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO NATION HUMAN RESEARCH REVIEW BOARD

PURPOSE: This resolution, if adopted, would appoint Dr. Rebecca Izzo Manymules and Dr. David H. Begay to serve on the Navajo Nation Human Research 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 to review each proposed resolution in detail.
PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL — Third Year, 2021

INTRODUCED BY

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TRACKING NO. 0087-21

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BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY
A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is empowered “[t]o establish Navajo Nation policy, promulgate rules, and regulations governing health, social services, education, human services, and general government services of the Navajo Nation and its tribal organizations, entities, and enterprises.” 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(1).

B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is empowered “[t]o ensure compliance and implementation of laws and policies of the Navajo Nation relating to health, social services, education, general government services and human services. 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(1).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS
A. The Navajo Nation Human Research Code establishes the policies and procedures for investigations, physicians, researchers, and other individuals performing research
activities on living human subjects within the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation.

B. The Navajo Nation Human Research Code, codified at 13 N.N.C. § 3251, et seq., (the "Research Code") created the Navajo Nation Human Research Review Board (the "Board"). The Board is comprised of 15 appointed individuals, whose powers and purposes including reviewing and approving research and overseeing and assuring that research and publication activities are consistent with the health and educational goals and objectives of the Navajo Nation.

C. The Research Code provides that the Health, Education and Human Services Committee ("HEHSC") shall appoint 6 members to the Board. 13 N.N.C. § 3257.

D. The HEHSC recognizes that the Board is an administrative body established to protect the rights and welfare of Navajo research subjects, and must remain free of political influences and matters related to policy-making. Therefore, appointments made to the Board by HEHSC shall not include Navajo Nation elected officials. 13 N.N.C. § 3257.

E. The HEHSC received letters of interest along with resumes and curriculum vitae, attached hereto as exhibits, from Dr. Rebecca Izzo Manymules (Exhibit A) and Dr. David H. Begay (Exhibit B).

SECTION THREE. APPOINTING MEMBERS

The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby appoints Dr. Rebecca Izzo Manymules and Dr. David H. Begay to serve on the Navajo Nation Human Research Review Board. The term of appointments shall be in accordance with the Navajo Nation Human Research Code.