TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Naabik’íyáti’ and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Reinstatement of Desiree Renae Casey as a Member of the Navajo Nation

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DATE: June 9, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, NAABIK'IYÁT'Í AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF DESIREE RENAE CASEY AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

PURPOSE: To approve the reinstatement, or otherwise re-enroll Desiree Renae Case as a member of the Navajo Nation.

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

(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0196-21

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NAVAJO NATION

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. Under the laws of the Navajo Nation, any enrolled member of the Navajo Nation may renounce [her] membership by written petition to the President of the Navajo Nation requesting that his name be stricken from the Navajo Nation roll. See 1 N.N.C. § 705 (Renunciation of membership).

B. The Navajo Nation in addition states, “[n]o person, otherwise eligible for membership in the Navajo Nation, may enroll as a member of the Navajo Nation, who, at the same time, is on the roll of any other tribe of Indians.” See 1 N.N.C. § 703 (Member of another tribe).

C. Renounced members may be reinstated by the Navajo Nation only by the vote of majority of the Navajo Nation Council. See 1 N.N.C. § 705 (Renunciation of membership).
SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Navajo Nation Office of Vital Records confirmed Desiree Renae Casey was enrolled with the Navajo Nation on September 9, 1996, and provided an enrollment number of. See Exhibit A.

B. The Navajo Nation Office of Vital Records confirmed Desiree Renae Casey petitioned for relinquishment from the Navajo Nation through the Navajo Nation Review Process as she was also enrolled with the San Juan Southern Paiute tribe. See Document # 011872 as Exhibit B.

C. The Navajo Nation Office of Vital Records has further confirmed Desiree Renae Casey is three-eights (3/8) degree Navajo blood and therefore, she is eligible to enroll as a member of the Navajo Nation. 1 N.N.C. § 701 (B). See Exhibit A.

D. Desiree Renae Casey has formally requested reinstatement into the Navajo Nation. See letter dated May 6, 2021, as Exhibit C.

E. The San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe has confirmed Desiree Renae Casey formally relinquished her San Juan Southern Paiute tribal membership on August 9, 2019. See San Juan Southern Paiute Tribal Resolution 2019-100 and Relinquishment Statement as Exhibits D and E.

SECTION THREE. RE-ENROLLMENT

Desiree Renae Casey shall be reinstated, or otherwise re-enrolled, as a member of the Navajo Nation. By this action of the Navajo Nation Council and pursuant to the laws of the Navajo Nation, she shall be entitled to all rights, benefits and privileges associated with membership with the Navajo Nation.