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LEGISLATION NO: \_0098-21\_

SPONSOR: Rick Nez

**TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An Action Relating to an Emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 Virus within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, Ensuring Safe Protection Upon Roads within the Navajo Nation by Declaring All Navajo Nation-Owned and Maintained Roads Shall Be Closed to All Visitors and Tourists"**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0098-21

**DATE:** June 11, 2021

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-20, ENTITLED, "AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS"

**PURPOSE:** If approved by the Navajo Nation Council, this legislation would rescind Navajo Nation Council Resolution CMA-16-21.

**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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Resources & Development Committee  
Thence  
Naabik'iyati' Committee  
Thence  
Navajo Nation Council

1 PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
2 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2021

3 INTRODUCED BY

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6 (Prime Sponsor) *R. Nez*

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10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'  
12 COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-  
13 20, ENTITLED, "AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE  
14 COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO  
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16 NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED  
17 ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS"

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19 **BE IT ENACTED:**

20 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 21 A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has  
22 oversight over the Navajo Nation roads. 2 N.N.C. § 500 (B).  
23 B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review  
24 all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2  
25 N.N.C. § 164 (A) (9).  
26 C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C.  
27 § 102 (A).

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29 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**  
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1 A. On March 24, 2020, the Honorable Speaker Damon certified and on April 3, 2020  
2 Navajo Nation President Nez signed into law the Navajo Nation Council resolution  
3 entitled "*AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-*  
4 *19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION,*  
5 *ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY*  
6 *DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE*  
7 *CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS.*" Navajo Nation Council Resolution  
8 CMA-16-20 is hereto attached as **Exhibit A**.

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10 **SECTION THREE. RESCINDING CMA-16-20**

11 The Navajo Nation hereby rescinds CMA-16-20.

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13 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

14 The provisions of this action shall become effective in accord with 2 N.N.C. § 221 (B)  
15 and shall remain effective until otherwise determined by act of the Navajo Nation  
16 Council.

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18 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

19 Should any provisions of this Action be determined invalid by the Navajo Nation  
20 Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the Navajo  
21 Nation Supreme Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, those portions of this  
22 Act which are not determined invalid shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.