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DATE: September 1, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK’IYÁTÉ COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING CONGRESSIONAL BILL ENTITLED “DINÉ COLLEGE ACT OF 2021”

PURPOSE: This resolution, if adopted, would support bill entitled “Diné College Act of 2021”

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 COMMITTEE RESOLUTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2021

INTRODUCED BY

(Primary Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0191-21

AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING CONGRESSIONAL BILL ENTITLED “DINÉ COLLEGE ACT OF 2021”

WHEREAS:

1. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400(A). Among other responsibilities, the committee oversees all education and health-related activities of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(2).

2. The Naabik’íyáti’ Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700(A). The committee, among other responsibilities, “coordinate[s] all federal, county and state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient delivery of services to the Navajo Nation.” 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(4).

3. Congressman Tom O’Halleran (AZ-01) will introduce a bill in the U.S. House of Representatives entitled the “Diné College Act of 2021.” See Exhibit A. The purposes of this bill will be “to fulfill the United States Government’s trust responsibility to serve the higher education needs of the Navajo people and to clarify, unify, and modernize prior Diné College legislation.” Generally, the bill will

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“authorize the Diné College to receive ... Federal funding and resources ... for its operation, improvement and growth...“ Section 5.

4. By resolution DC-AUG-2531-21, the Board of Regents for Diné College supports the "Diné College Act of 2021." See attached Exhibit B.

7. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to support the Diné College Act of 2021.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Navajo Nation hereby supports Congressional bill entitled, the “Diné College Act of 2021.”