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TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti Committees; Approving and Authorizing a Contract Between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior Under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, as Amended), for a Three-Year Term for the Housing Improvement Program; Approving and Authorizing the Fiscal Year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Period of the Contract Term

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0194-21

DATE: September 7, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. § 5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR THE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT TERM

PURPOSE: An action related to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyati' Committees; approving and authorizing a contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a three-year term for the Housing Improvement Program, approving and authorizing the Fiscal Year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the period of the contract term.

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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Eligible for Action: September 16, 2021

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Naabik'iyáti' Committee

1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
2 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Third Year, 2021
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12 AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A
13 CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES
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15 638, AS AMENDED), FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR THE HOUSING
16 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL
17 YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE
18 PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT TERM

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20 **BE IT ENACTED:**

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22 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 23 A. The Resources and Development Committee is established as a standing committee
24 of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A).
25 B. The Resources and Development Committee has the power to promulgate rules and
26 regulations governing community development. 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B)(1).
27 C. The Budget and Finance Committee is established as a standing committee of the
28 Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 300 (A).
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- 1 D. The Budget and Finance Committee is authorized to approve and accept contracts
2 from federal authorities upon the recommendation of the standing committee which
3 has oversight of the program which requested the contract. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B)(15).
4 E. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is authorized to approve contracts between the Navajo
5 Nation and the United States Department of Interior for the implementation of the
6 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.*
7 (P. L. 93-638 as amended). 2 N.N.C. §701 (A)(12).
8 F. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to enter into a contract with the United
9 States Department of Interior for the Housing Improvement Program, for the
10 contract term as set forth in the documents attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

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12 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 13 A. The Annual Funding Agreement between the Department of Interior and the Navajo
14 Nation is a self-determination contract under the Indian Self-Determination and
15 Education Assistance Act and as such is an intergovernmental agreement.
16 B. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to enter into a contract with the United
17 States Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs for the contract term as set
18 forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit A**.
19 C. The proposed contract, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as
20 amended), between the Navajo Nation and United States Department of Interior,
21 has been endorsed by requisite reviewers and is determined legally sufficient and
22 eligible for signature as set forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit B**.

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24 **SECTION THREE. APPROVALS**

- 25 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes a contract between the Navajo
26 Nation and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs,
27 under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a three-year period
28 for the Housing Improvement Program as set forth in the documents attached as
29 **Exhibit A**.

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B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Housing Improvement Program, for the contract term as set forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit A**.

C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute and effectuate the Contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of Work, provided the terms and conditions in such documents are substantially similar to those approved by this resolution.