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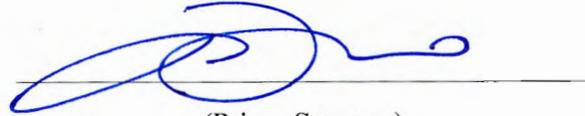
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TRACKING NO. 0230-21

**AN ACTION**  
**RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; APPROVING THE**  
**SPEAKER'S APPOINTMENT OF HENRIETTA SANDOVAL-SOLAND TO THE**  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSIONER POSITION ON THE NAVAJO**  
**NATION HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

**BE IT ENACTED:**

**SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is established as a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §700.
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee has the authority to approve and confirm appointments of Commissioners by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, to the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission. 2 N.N.C. §922(A).

**SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- A. The Commissioners of the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission (“NNHRC”) shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and confirmed by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. §922(A).
- B. According to the NNHRC's Plan of Operation, the NNHRC shall consist of five Commissioners with reputable and established backgrounds in the fields of education, business, law

1 enforcement, and social services. 2 N.N.C. §922(A).

2 C. The NNHRC commissioners shall each serve a four-year term pursuant to the NNHRC Plan of  
3 Operation as approved by Navajo Nation Council Resolution No. CJN-15-08. Whenever a  
4 vacancy occurs on the Commission, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council appoints a new  
5 qualified member. NNHRC Plan of Operation, at Section IV-B, Organization/Term of Office.

6 D. The NNHRC has approved Resolution No. NNHRCJUNE-07-21, which describes its  
7 recommended method of selecting new Commissioners. See **Exhibit 1** (2 pages).

8 E. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council has appointed Henrietta Sandoval-Soland for the  
9 law enforcement position on the NNHRC. See **Exhibit 2** (1 page).

10 F. Henrietta Sandoval-Soland fulfills the requirements for the law enforcement position on the  
11 NNHRC, based on her reputable and established professional background. See **Exhibit 3** (15  
12 pages total).

13 G. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the Naabik'iyáti' Committee consider it to be in  
14 the best interest of the Navajo Nation that Henrietta Sandoval-Soland be appointed to the law  
15 enforcement position on the NNHRC for the current remaining term left vacant by the recent  
16 removal of a former Commissioner.

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18 **SECTION THREE. APPOINTMENT**

19 The Naabik'iyáti' Committee hereby confirms the appointment by the Speaker of the Navajo  
20 Nation Council of Henrietta Sandoval-Soland as a Commissioner on the Navajo Nation Human  
21 Rights Commission. Ms. Sandoval-Soland shall fill the law enforcement position for the current  
22 remaining Commissioner's term left vacant by the recent removal of a former Commissioner.