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TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Dr. Harold G. Begay as Superintendent of Schools for the Department of Dine Education

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0243-21

DATE: November 17, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTÍ COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. HAROLD G. BEGAY AS SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DINÉ EDUCATION

PURPOSE: If approved, this resolution will confirm the appointment of Dr. Harold G. Begay as Superintendent of Schools for the Department of Diné Education and serve at the pleasure of the Navajo Nation Board of Education.

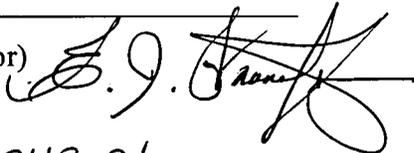
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Navajo Nation Council

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

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13 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. HAROLD G. BEGAY AS
14 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DINÉ
15 EDUCATION

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17 BE IT ENACTED:

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19 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITIES

- 20 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of
21 the Navajo Nation Council and has the authority to review and recommend
22 resolutions relating to education. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400(A), 401(B)(6)(a).
23 B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee also has oversight authority
24 over the Department of Diné Education and the Navajo Nation Board of Education. 2
25 N.N.C. § 401(C)(1)(3).
26 C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council
27 and has the power to recommend resolutions to the Navajo Nation Council on matters
28 within the Committee's jurisdiction. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701(A)(3).
29 D. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §
30 102(A).

1 E. The Navajo Nation Superintendent of Schools shall be appointed by the Navajo Nation
2 Board of Education, subject to confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council, and shall
3 be empowered to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the responsibilities of
4 the Navajo Nation Board of Education. 10 N.N.C. § 106(G)(2)(a), and 2 N.N.C. §
5 1802(A)
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7 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

8 A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1802 (A), the Department of Diné Education is “under the
9 immediate direction of the Navajo Nation Superintendent of Schools, subject to the
10 overall direction of the Navajo Nation Board of Education. The Navajo Nation
11 Superintendent of Schools is appointed by the Navajo Nation Board of Education,
12 subject to confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council.”

13 B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1802(B), “[t]he Navajo Nation Superintendent of Schools
14 shall serve at the pleasure of the Navajo Nation Board of Education.” As “chief
15 administrative officer of the Board,” the Superintendent is “empowered to do all
16 things necessary and proper to carry out the responsibilities of the Board.” 10 N.N.C.
17 § 106(G)(2)(a).

18 C. On November 9, 2021, the Navajo Nation Board of Education appointed and
19 recommended the confirmation of Dr. Harold G. Begay as the Superintendent of
20 Schools for the Department of Diné Education pursuant to Resolution No. NNBENO-
21 764-2021, attached as **Exhibit A**.

22 D. Dr. Harold G. Begay provided his letter of interest, curriculum vitae, Arizona
23 Department of Education Certificate, and Ph.D. diploma in **Exhibit A-1**

24 E. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to confirm the appointment of Dr.
25 Harold G. Begay as the Superintendent of Schools for the Department of Diné
26 Education.
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1 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION**

2 The Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms the appointment of Dr. Harold G. Begay as
3 the Superintendent of Schools for the Department of Diné Education, to serve at the
4 pleasure of the Navajo Nation Board of Education.

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