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Missing and Murdered Diné Relatives March to be hosted by Council Delegate Nathaniel Brown & Madam Chair Amber Kanazbah Crotty

MEDIA ADVISORY: February 8, 2022

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — Members of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, led by Council Delegate Nathaniel Brown and Madam Chair Amber Kanazbah Crotty, will be marching across the community beginning from the Kayenta Chapter House to Junction 160 to 163, and concluding with a press conference in front of the chapter house on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

What: Missing & Murdered Diné Relatives March and Press Conference

Who: Council Delegates, Community Leaders, Local Advocates, and Family Members

When: February 26, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

Where: Kayenta Chapter House

Contact: Council Delegates Office at (928) 871-6380

“We are marching to share our support for our Diné families and bring awareness to the growing cases of missing relatives across the Navajo Nation. The process of healing for our relatives is important so that our survivors have access to support groups, onsite counseling, traditional healers, and to victim advocates. Where are our Native men? We need to go back and teach our young men about the sweat lodge ceremonies and the sacredness of our female warriors. Our male coming of age ceremonies are as important as our traditional Kinaaldá female ceremonies. We are all the warriors behind our Indigenous movements and together, we will move forward with Hozhó. Let us find healing through hope,” said Council Delegate Nathaniel Brown (Dennehotso, Kayenta, Chííłchinbii’tó).

Members of the media are encouraged to attend and a video livestream will be provided through the Facebook page for the Navajo Nation Council: <https://www.facebook.com/navajonationcouncil>. An official escort will be provided by Navajo law enforcement, face masks are required, and dress warmly.

The Navajo Nation Council supports the establishment of the Missing and Murdered Diné Relatives (MMDR) task force that is developing a framework for a proposed MMDR data institute and the development of a missing persons community action toolkit to empower communities. Council Delegate Nathaniel Brown was recently appointed by the governor to serve on the Arizona Human Trafficking Council.

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