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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Law and Order Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Heather Clah as the Navajo Nation Deputy Attorney General**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
Tracking No. 0032-23

**DATE:** March 1, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF HEATHER CLAH AS THE NAVAJO NATION DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will confirm the appointment of Heather Clah as Deputy Attorney General of the Navajo Nation.

**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.**

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1 PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
2 25<sup>TH</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – First Year, 2023

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14 ATTORNEY GENERAL

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16 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- 17 A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §  
18 102 (A).  
19 B. The Law and Order Committee has oversight over the administration of justice on the Navajo  
20 Nation. 2 N.N.C. §600 (C)(1)  
21 C. A proposed resolution requiring final action by the Navajo Nation Council shall be  
22 assigned to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).

23 SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- 24 A. The Navajo Nation President recommends a person as the Navajo Nation Deputy  
25 Attorney General. 2 N.N.C. §1962(B).  
26 B. The Navajo Nation President recommends Heather Clah as the Navajo Nation Deputy  
27 Attorney General. Heather Clah's appointment letter and résumé are attached as  
28 Exhibit A.  
29 C. The Navajo Nation Council appoints the Navajo Nation Deputy Attorney General at  
30 the recommendation of the Navajo Nation President. 2 N.N.C. §1962(B).

1 D. The recommended Navajo Nation Deputy Attorney General serves at the pleasure of  
2 the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §1962(B).

3 **SECTION THREE. Appointment of the Navajo Nation Attorney General**

4 A. The Navajo Nation Council appoints Heather Clah as the Navajo Nation Deputy  
5 Attorney General.

6 B. Heather Clah's appointment shall be effective upon the Navajo Nation Council's  
7 approval. 2 N.N.C. §1962(B).

8 C. Heather Clah's term shall be concurrent with the Navajo Nation President's term. 2  
9 N.N.C. §1962(B).

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