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SPONSOR: Otto Tso

TITLE: An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti Committee; Approving the Speaker's Appointment of Navajo Nation Council Members to the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission

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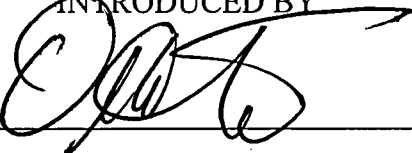
TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE;
APPROVING THE SPEAKER'S APPOINTMENT OF NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
MEMBERS TO THE NAVAJO-HOPI LAND COMMISSION

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will confirm the Speaker's appointment of nine (9) members to the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission of the 25th Navajo Nation Council.

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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13 NAVAJO-HOPI LAND COMMISSION

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15 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 16 A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyati' Committee as a Navajo Nation
17 standing committee. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700 (A).
18 B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee approves the Navajo Nation Speaker's appointments to the
19 Navajo-Hopi Land Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 852 (A).
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21 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 22 A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission within the
23 Legislative Branch. 2 N.N.C. § 851 (A).
24 B. The Navajo-Hopi Land Commission's purpose is to "[m]onitor, collect, and update
25 information on any and all land use conflicts between the Navajo Nation and the Hopi
26 Tribe, and any claimants in and to lands within the area described in the Act of June 14,
27 1934 (48 Stat. 960) [and to] [s]peak and act for the Navajo Nation with respect to the
28 land selection and land exchange provisions of P.L. 96-305." 2 N.N.C. § 851 (B).
29 C. The Speaker shall appoint nine Navajo Nation Council voting members who represent
30 areas affected by the Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute. 2 N.N.C. § 852 (A).

- 1 D. The Speaker's memorandum appointing nine members to the Navajo-Hopi Land
2 Commission is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- 3 E. The Navajo-Hopi Land Commission members shall serve at the pleasure of the
4 Naabik'iyati' Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 852 (B) (2).
- 5 F. The Navajo-Hopi Land Commission members shall serve a term coinciding with their
6 term as Navajo Nation Council Delegates and until their successors are appointed. 2
7 N.N.C. § 852 (D).
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9 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING APPOINTMENTS**

10 The Naabik'iyati' Committee approves the Speaker's appointment of Navajo Nation
11 Council members to the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission:

- 12 1. Honorable Otto Tso
 - 13 2. Honorable Lomardo Aseret
 - 14 3. Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie
 - 15 4. Honorable Helena Nez Begay
 - 16 5. Honorable Herman Daniels
 - 17 6. Honorable Vince James
 - 18 7. Honorable Casey Allen Johnson
 - 19 8. Honorable Germaine Simonson
 - 20 9. Honorable Crystalyne Curley
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