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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee;
Concurring to the Appointment of Tom Ranger to Serve on the Management Board
of the Navajo Nation Hospitality Enterprise**

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0106-23

DATE: May 12, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: A PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION;
AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;
CONCURRING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF TOM RANGER TO SERVE ON THE
MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE NAVAJO NATION HOSPITALITY ENTERPRISE**

PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to concurs to the appointment of Tom Ranger to the Management Board of the Navajo Nation Hospitality Enterprise for a three-year term.

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

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11 MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE NAVAJO NATION HOSPITALITY ENTERPRISE
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14 **BE IT ENACTED:**
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16 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 17 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo
18 Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §500.
19 B. The Resources and Development Committee has the authority to give final approval
20 for appointments to Navajo Nation enterprises. 2 N.N.C. §501(B)(9).
21 C. Navajo Nation Hospitality Enterprise (NNHE) Plan of Operation as approved by CD-
22 79-02 and attached as **Exhibit 1**, at Article V. (A), states that “[t]he Management Board
23 shall consist of five (5) members appointed for staggered three-year terms by the
24 President of the Navajo Nation with the concurrence of the Economic Development
25 Committee [now, the Resources and Development Committee] of the Navajo Nation
26 Council.” See, CO-45-12, Section Five.
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28 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 29 A. 5 N.N.C. § 1843 (A) states that. “The business and affairs of NNHE shall be managed
30 by a five-person Board of Directors, the members of which shall meet the qualifications

1 established in NNHE's plan of operation. The Board of Directors shall conduct its
2 business in a similar manner as boards of directors of successful corporations in the
3 hospitality business, to the extent feasible and permitted under NNHE's plan of
4 operation and other applicable Navajo law.”

5 B. Navajo Nation Hospitality Enterprise Plan of Operation, attached as **Exhibit 1**, at
6 Article V. (B), states that *“Of the five (5) Board members appointed, one (1) member
7 must be an experienced business person, one (1) member from the Government Services
8 Committee [now the Naabik’iyáti’ Committee] of the Navajo Nation Council, one (1)
9 from the Economic Development Committee [now the Resources and Development
10 Committee] of the Navajo Nation Council, and two (2) members must have recognized
11 expertise and substantial management experience in the motel-restaurant industry. No
12 other employee of the federal or Navajo Nation government shall be a member of the
13 Management Board. No Board member shall be an employee of the Enterprise.”* See,
14 CO-45-12, Section Five.

15 C. The President of the Navajo Nation has appointed Tom Ranger by letter dated April
16 20, 2023, attached as **Exhibit 2**.

17 D. Tom Ranger’s resume and letter of interest are attached as **Exhibit 3**. Tom Ranger
18 fulfills the requirements for reappointment as he is “an experienced business person.”

19 E. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation that Tom Ranger be appointed to the
20 position on the NNHE.

21 22 **SECTION THREE. APPOINTMENT**

23 The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
24 concurs to the appointment of Tom Ranger to the Management Board of the Navajo Nation
25 Hospitality Enterprise. He shall be appointed for a three-year term, as provided for in the
26 NNHE Plan of Operation.