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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee;
Confirming the Appointment of Benjamin Bennett to the Navajo Engineering and
Construction Authority Board of Directors**

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0223-23

DATE: September 14, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: A PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION;
AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BENJAMIN BENNETT TO THE NAVAJO
ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**


PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to confirm the appointment of Benjamin Bennett to serve on the Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority Board of Directors for a term of four (4) years

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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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
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12 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BENJAMIN BENNETT TO THE NAVAJO
13 ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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15 BE IT ENACTED:

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 (A).
19 B. The Resources and Development Committee oversees areas such as roads and
20 transportation, communication and utilities, economic and community development,
21 commerce and trade, rights-of-way, public utilities, and housing. 2 N.N.C. § 500 (C).
22 C. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council grants final
23 confirmation of appointments to entities under the authority of the Committee requiring
24 appointments. 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B) (9).

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26 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 27 A. The Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority is organized “[t]o engage in the
28 general engineering and construction industry.” 5 N.N.C. § 1972 (A) (1).
29 B. The business and affairs of the Authority shall be conducted by a Board of Directors of
30 seven directors. 5 N.N.C. § 1973 (A).

1 C. The Board of Directors shall be appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation and
2 confirmed by the Resources and Development Committee. 5 N.N.C. § 1973 (C). *See*
3 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B) (9).

4 D. At least six directors of the Board shall be enrolled members of the Navajo Nation.
5 Individuals with experience and/or education in the engineering, construction,
6 architectural, legal, accounting, management, or other construction related field shall
7 be given preference for appointment to the Board. 5 N.N.C. § 1973 (D).

8 E. The members of the board shall serve four-year terms. 5 N.N.C. § 1973 (C).

9 F. The Navajo Nation President appointed Benjamin Bennett to serve as a member of the
10 Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority Board of Directors.

11 G. Appointment letter attached as **Exhibit A**; letter of interest attached as **Exhibit B**;
12 résumé attached as **Exhibit C** and Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood attached as
13 **Exhibit D**.

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15 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT**

16 The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council confirms
17 the appointment of Benjamin Bennett to serve on the Navajo Engineering and Construction
18 Authority Board of Directors, for a term of four (4) years beginning with the certification
19 of this resolution.
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