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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Kim Russell as the Health Director of the Navajo Nation Department of Health

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0083-24

DATE: April 17, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIM RUSSELL AS THE HEALTH DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

PURPOSE: This proposed resolution will confirm the appointment of Kim Russell at the Director of the Navajo Department of Health.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Navajo Nation Council

VOTE REQUIREMENT: Simple Majority

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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13 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIM RUSSELL AS THE HEALTH
14 DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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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. § 102
18 (A).
19 B. The Naa'bik'iyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council.
20 The Committee reviews all legislation requiring final action by the Navajo Nation
21 Council. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164 (A)(9) and 700 (A).
22 C. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the
23 Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400(A). The Committee exercises oversight
24 authority over the Department of Health. 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(1), § 1607.
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26 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 27 A. The Health Director of the Department of Health shall be appointed by and serve at the
28 pleasure of the President of the Navajo Nation and confirmed by the Navajo Nation
29 Council. 2 N.N.C. §1605.
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1 B. The establishment of the Department of Health and the duties of the Health Director
2 are outlined at 2 N.N.C. § 1601 *et seq.*

3 C. The Navajo Nation President appointed Kim Russell as the Health Director of the
4 Navajo Department of Health. The appointment letter and résumé are attached as
5 Exhibits A and B, respectively.

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7 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING THE CONFIRMATION OF THE HEALTH**
8 **DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

9 The Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms the appointment of Kim Russell as the
10 Health Director of the Navajo Department of Health.