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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0069-25

DATE: May 2, 2025

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. JONATHAN PERRY TO THE DINÉ URANIUM REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AS THE AT-LARGE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

PURPOSE: The purpose of this proposed resolution is to confirm the appointment of Jonathan Perry to the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Naabik'iyáti' Committee

VOTE REQUIRED: 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.

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2025

INTRODUCED BY

Carey Allen Golman

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE
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REMEDATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AS THE AT-LARGE
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as the Navajo Nation Council standing Committee. 2 N.N.C. §700(A).
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council exercises legislative oversight of the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 3583; CAP-14-15.
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council reviews proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(9) *see also* CO-45-12.
- D. The Navajo Nation President shall appoint the At-Large Community Representative. DINÉ URANIUM REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AMENDED MASTER PLAN OF OPERATION 2024 sec. VIII (3)(a). *See* NABIJN-44-24.
- E. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council gives final confirmation of appointments to commissions, unless otherwise provided by law. 2 N.N.C. §701(A)(1).

1 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 2 A. The Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission (“DURAC”) was established
3 within the Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §3583; CAP-14-15.
- 4 B. The DURAC shall consist of seven (7) members. “Seven members shall be community
5 members, preferably one from each of the six Abandoned Uranium Mines (AUM)
6 Regions (as defined by the U.S. EPA) affecting the past uranium mining – Northern,
7 North Central, Eastern, Southern, Western, and Central, and one selected At-Large
8 Community Representative. These seven (7) members shall all be enrolled members of
9 the Navajo Nation with a background in environmental science, environmental justice,
10 engineering, social science, health, policy making if at all possible.” DINÉ URANIUM
11 REMEDATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AMENDED MASTER PLAN OF
12 OPERATION 2024 sec. VIII (2)(a). *See* NABIJN-44-24. **Exhibit A.**
- 13 C. “The Navajo Nation President shall appoint the At-Large Community Representative.”
14 *Id.* at sec. VIII(3)(a).
- 15 D. “The President and the Council may, but are not required to, make a public
16 announcement soliciting letters of interest and statements of qualification for the
17 Commission member positions.” *Id.* at sec. VIII(3)(c).
- 18 E. “The initial term of the Commission shall be approximately five (5) years. The second
19 term shall begin when a quorum of Commissioners is established, and shall end on
20 September 30, 2029. The Navajo Nation Council may, by majority vote, renew the
21 Commission for an additional five-year term, or for such period as the Council may
22 choose.” *Id.* at sec. VIII(1).
- 23 F. Mr. Jonathan Perry has expressed his interest in serving on the Diné Uranium
24 Remediation Advisory Commission and is an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation.
25 Letter of Interest, Résumé and Certificate of Indian Blood are attached as an **Exhibits**
26 **B, C and D**, respectively.
- 27 G. The Navajo Nation President appoints Mr. Jonathan Perry to the Diné Uranium
28 Remediation Advisory Commission. **Exhibit E.**
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1 H. Mr. Jonathan Perry's appointment to the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory
2 Commission is for the remainder of the second term of five (5) years and expires on
3 September 30, 2029. *Id.* at sec. VIII(1).
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5 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT**

6 The Navajo Nation confirms the appointment of Mr. Jonathan Perry to serve on the Diné
7 Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission as an At-Large Community Member for the
8 remainder of the second term of five (5) years which expires on September 30, 2029.
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