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TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti' Committees: Granting the Designation of "Tribal Organization" to the Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. for an Additional Period of Four (4) Years, for the Purposes of Contracting with the United States Indian Health Service and Authorizing the Navajoland Nursing Home Inc. to Negotiate and enter in to Title I, Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as Amended) Contracts and Title V Self Governance Compacts Pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, As Amended), Such Designation of " Tribal Organization" Being Revocable and Contingent on Continuing Compliance with all Terms and Conditions

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0078-25

DATE: April 28, 2025

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; GRANTING THE DESIGNATION OF "TRIBAL ORGANIZATION" TO THE NAVAJOLAND NURSING HOME, INC. FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS, FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONTRACTING WITH THE UNITED STATES INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AND AUTHORIZING THE NAVAJOLAND NURSING HOME, INC. TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO TITLE I, INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED) CONTRACTS AND TITLE V SELF GOVERNANCE COMPACTS PURSUANT TO THE INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), SUCH DESIGNATION OF "TRIBAL ORGANIZATION" BEING REVOCABLE AND CONTINGENT ON CONTINUING COMPLIANCE WITH ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PURPOSE: The purpose of this proposed resolution is to authorize the Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. the designation of "tribal organization" for an additional four years.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Naabik'iyáti' Committee

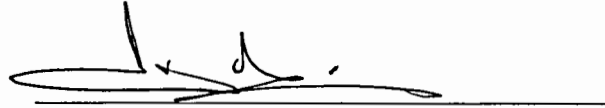
VOTE REQUIRED: Simple Majority

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.

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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
2 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2025

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12 NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; GRANTING THE DESIGNATION OF “TRIBAL
13 ORGANIZATION” TO THE NAVAJOLAND NURSING HOME, INC. FOR AN
14 ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS, FOR THE PURPOSES OF
15 CONTRACTING WITH THE UNITED STATES INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AND
16 AUTHORIZING THE NAVAJOLAND NURSING HOME, INC. TO NEGOTIATE
17 AND ENTER INTO TITLE I, INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT (P.L. 93-638,
18 AS AMENDED) CONTRACTS AND TITLE V SELF GOVERNANCE COMPACTS
19 PURSUANT TO THE INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT (P.L. 93-638, AS
20 AMENDED), SUCH DESIGNATION OF “TRIBAL ORGANIZATION” BEING
21 REVOCABLE AND CONTINGENT ON CONTINUING COMPLIANCE WITH ALL
22 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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24 BE IT ENACTED:

25 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- 26 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee exercises oversight
27 responsibility over all matters related to health on the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §
28 400(C)(1).
29 B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee exercises authority to
30 review and recommend the authorization and designation of a for-profit or non-
profit health or social services organization as a tribal organization for the purposes

1 of contracting or compacting under the Indian Self-Determination and Education
2 Assistance Act. 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(6)(e).

3 C. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as a standing
4 committee. 2 N.N.C. §700(A).

5 D. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee exercises the authority to authorize and approve
6 additional tribal organizations through the Indian Self-Determination and
7 Education Assistance Act, upon the recommendation of the Health, Education and
8 Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §701(A)(12).

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10 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

11 A. The Navajo Nation Council approved contractors to be authorized as Navajo Nation
12 "tribal organizations" for the purpose of entering into Title V, Self-Governance
13 Compacts/Contracts pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as
14 amended). CJY-33-10.

15 B. In 2021, the Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. requested designation as a "tribal
16 organization" for a period of four (4) years, beginning October 1, 2021 and ending
17 September 30, 2025, for the purposes of contracting with the United States Indian
18 Health Service and to negotiate and enter into Title V Self Governance Compacts
19 pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as amended). *See*
20 HEHSCJN-07-21, Exhibit A; attached as **EXHIBIT 1**.

21 C. In 2021, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation
22 Council found it to be in the Navajo Nation's best interest to approve and recommend
23 to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council that the Navajoland
24 Nursing Home, Inc. be given the revocable designation of "tribal organization" for a
25 period of four (4) years, beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2025,
26 for the purposes of contracting with the United States Indian Health Service and to
27 negotiate and enter into Title V Self Governance Compacts pursuant to the Indian Self-
28 Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as amended), subject to the Terms and Conditions.
29 *See* HEHSCJN-07-21, Exhibit D; attached as **EXHIBIT 1**.

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1 D. The Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. serves seven (7) Navajo Nation Chapters and has
2 been endorsed by separate resolutions adopted by all the respective Chapters. *See*
3 HEHSCJN-07-21, Exhibit B; attached as **EXHIBIT 1**.

4 E. In 2021, the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council found it to be in
5 the Navajo Nation's best interest, upon approval and recommendation of the Health,
6 Education and Human Services Committee, to approve the revokable designation to
7 the Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. as a "tribal organization" for a period of four (4)
8 years, beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2025, for the purposes of
9 contracting with the United States Indian Health Service and to negotiate and enter into
10 Title V Self Governance Compacts pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L.
11 93-638, as amended) and subject to the continuing compliance with the Terms and
12 Conditions as approved and adopted by the Health, Education and Human Services
13 Committee. **EXHIBIT 2**.

14 F. Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. is still negotiating to contact under Title V Self
15 Governance Compacts pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as
16 amended) and requests a four (4) year extension to be designated as a "tribal
17 organization" beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2029 with all the
18 terms and conditions found in HEHSCJN-07-21 and NABIAU-28-21. **EXHIBITS 1**
19 **AND 2**.

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21 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

22 The Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, upon recommendation of
23 the Health, Education and Human Services Committee (Committee), approves giving
24 the Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc. the revocable designation of "tribal organization"
25 for an additional period of four (4) years, October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2029,
26 for the purposes of contracting with the United States Indian Health Service and to
27 negotiate and enter into Title I, Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as
28 amended) contracts and Title V Self Governance Compacts pursuant to the Indian Self-
29 Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as amended) and subject to the continuing compliance
30 with the Terms and Conditions as approved and adopted by the Health, Education and
Human Services and Naabik'íyáti' Committees attached as **EXHIBITS 1 and 2**.