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TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Rescinding RDCAU-41-13; and, Approving the Amendment of Business Site Lease No. CH-89-85 Pursuant to Amended Probate Decree No. CH-FC-370-23

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0122-25

DATE: June 4, 2025

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; RESCINDING RDCAU-41-13; AND, APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF BUSINESS SITE LEASE NO. CH-89-85 PURSUANT TO AMENDED PROBATE DECREE NO. CH-FC-370-23

PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to rescind Resolution RDCAU-41-13 and approve the amendment of Business Lease No. CH-89-85 assigning Business Lease No. CH-89-85 to Veronica V. Walters.

Final Authority: Resources and Development Committee

Vote Required: Majority vote.

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

INTRODUCED BY



(Prime Sponsor)

Shawna Ann Claw

TRACKING NO. 0172-25

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; RESCINDING RDCAU-
41-13; AND, APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF BUSINESS SITE LEASE
NO. CH-89-85 PURSUANT TO AMENDED PROBATE DECREE
NO. CH-FC-370-23

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Authority

- A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 500(A), the Resources and Development Committee is established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council.
- B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §501 (B)(2)(a), the Resources and Development Committee grants final approval for all non-mineral leases including modifications and assignments.

Section Two. Findings

- A. The Resources and Development Committee through Resolution RDCAU-41-13, attached as **Exhibit 1**, approved a Lease Modification to Business Site Lease CH-89-85 removing Fleming D. Begaye, Sr. and Helen M. Begaye as Lessees and approving Veronica V. Walters as the Lessee. The RDCAU-41-13 Lease Modification was passed because of a 2012 Order and Final Decree in Probate. The Regional Business Development Office Executive Summary, attached as **Exhibit 2**, states the "[t]he Lease Modification was not submitted to BIA for Secretarial approval with confirmation by

1 Chinle BIA Agency, Branch of Real Estate Services, [which] did not receive said
2 modification approval.” The Regional Business Development Office Executive
3 Summary, **Exhibit 2**, describes the history of Business Lease No. CH-89-85.

4 B. An AMENDED PROBATE DECREE, Family Court of the Navajo Nation, CH-FC-
5 370-23, attached as **Exhibit 3**, dated April 18, 2024, distributed Business Lease No.
6 CH-89-85 to Veronica V. Walters.

7 C. A Lease Amendment of Business Lease No. CH-89-85 has been requested. LEASE
8 AMENDMENT, CH-89-85 is attached as **Exhibit 4**.

9 D. The LEASE AMENDMENT, CH-89-85, states:

10 *“An amendment to Page 1 of the lease as follows:*

11 *1. First paragraph of the Lease page 1 to delete and amend pursuant to Amended*
12 *Probate Decree No. CH-FC-370-23 in the Matter of the Estate of Fleming D.*
13 *Begaye Sr. dated April 18, 2023.”* **Exhibit 4**.

14 E. Lease Number CH-89-85 is attached as **Exhibit 5**.

15 F. The Executive Official Review Document No. 023782, attached as **Exhibit 6**, includes
16 reviews by the Division of Economic Development, the Office of the Controller, and
17 the Office of the Attorney General; each office found Document No. 023782
18 “Sufficient.”

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20 **Section Three. Rescinding RDCAU-41-13 and Approving Amendment of Business**
21 **Lease No. CH-89-85**

22 A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
23 rescinds Resolution RDCAU-41-13.

24 B. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
25 approves the amendment of Business Lease No. CH-89-85 assigning Business Lease
26 No. CH-89-85 to Veronica V. Walters. LEASE AMENDMENT, CH-89-85 is
27 attached hereto as **Exhibit 4**.

28 C. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
29 authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute any and all documents
30 necessary to affect the intent and purpose of this resolution.

1 D. Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby directs
2 the Division of Economic Development to take all action necessary to ensure that this
3 Lease Amendment is properly recorded and distributed.
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