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### LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking No. <u>0226-25</u>

DATE: September 29, 2025

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES; ACCEPTING THE INTERNAL AUDIT OF THE TSELANI-COTTONWOOD CHAPTER FROM THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL; APPROVING THE PROPOSED CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN OF THE TSELANI-COTTONWOOD CHAPTER

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this proposed resolution is to accept the internal audit of the Tselani- Cottonwood Chapter from the Office of the Auditor General and to approve the proposed corrective action plan.

Final Authority: Budget and Finance 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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18	BE IT ENACTED:	
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20	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY	
21	A. The Resources and Development Committee serves as the oversight committee for all	
22	Navajo Nation Chapters. 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(l).	
23	B. As the oversight authority for Chapters, the Resources and Development Committee	
24	reviews audit reports and proposed corrective action plans regarding Chapter financial	
25	matters. 12 N.N.C. § 7(E).	
26	C. The Budget and Finance Committee has the final authority to review and approve audit	
27	reports issued by the Auditor General, as well as proposed corrective action plans. 12	
28	N.N.C. §§ 6(A) and 7(D).	
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#### SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 6, the Office of the Auditor General has prepared and submitted an audit report titled "Internal Audit of the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter" Report No. 23-02 dated December 2022 (the "Audit Report"), which is attached as **Exhibit A.**
- B. The Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter responded to the Audit Report with a memorandum to the Auditor General dated November 30, 2022, and a Corrective Action Plan ("CAP") attached as **Exhibit B**, addressing the three audit findings in the Audit Report.
- C. Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter Resolution, TSEL-25-977, dated August 19, 2025, which approved the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter CAP, attached as **Exhibit C**.

## SECTION THREE. ACCEPTING THE AUDIT REPORT AND APPROVING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN OF TSELANI-COTTONWOOD CHAPTER

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee accepts the Audit Report for Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter "Internal Audit of the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter" Report No. 23-02, dated December 2022, attached as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Budget and Finance Committee approves the CAP submitted by Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter, attached as **Exhibit B**.

#### SECTION FOUR. DIRECTIVES

- A. A copy of the Audit Report and Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter's Corrective Action Plan, as approved in this legislation, shall be provided to the Resources and Development Committee as part of the Resources and Development Committee's oversight responsibility over Navajo Nation Chapters. 12 N.N.C. § 7(E).
- B. The Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter shall prepare and submit a written status report on the Chapter's progress regarding implementation of its Corrective Action Plan. The Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter shall submit such report to the Office of the Auditor General no later than six months after the date of approval of this resolution. 12 N.N.C. § 7(F).

- C. The Office of the Auditor General shall receive and review the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter's status report, shall prepare a memorandum explaining the Auditor General's opinion as to the success of the Chapter's corrective efforts, and shall provide a copy of the Chapter's status report along with the Office of the Auditor General memorandum to the Resources and Development Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee. 12 N.N.C. § 7(F)(2).
- D. Twelve months after the effective date of this resolution, the Office of the Auditor General shall conduct a follow-up review of the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter to review and verify the Chapter's implementation of its Corrective Action Plan. The Office of the Auditor General shall prepare a report on its findings resulting from the follow-up review, and such report shall include the Auditor General's recommended sanctions, if any, to be imposed upon the Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter for failure to implement the Corrective Action Plan. 12 N.N.C. § 7(G).