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SPONSOR: Helena Nez Begay

TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee and Budget and Finance Committee; Amending Kaibeto Chapter Projects Included in Delegate Helena Nez Begay's Delegate Region Project Plan Currently Funded Through the Revenue Replacement Reserve

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0025-26

DATE: January 26, 2026

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING KAIBETO CHAPTER PROJECTS INCLUDED IN DELEGATE HELENA NEZ BEGAY'S DELEGATE REGION PROJECT PLAN CURRENTLY FUNDED THROUGH THE REVENUE REPLACEMENT RESERVE

PURPOSE: This proposed resolution will approve amendments to Kaibeto Chapter's previously approved projects that are currently funded through the Revenue Reserve Replacement Fund.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Budget and Finance Committee

VOTE REQUIREMENT: Simple Majority

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review the proposed resolution in detail.

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Resources & Development Committee
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Budget & Finance Committee

1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
2 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2026
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11 AN ACTION

12 **RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND**
13 **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING KAIBETO CHAPTER**
14 **PROJECTS INCLUDED IN DELEGATE HELENA NEZ BEGAY'S DELEGATE**
15 **REGION PROJECT PLAN CURRENTLY FUNDED THROUGH THE REVENUE**
16 **REPLACEMENT RESERVE**

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18 BE IT ENACTED:

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20 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

21 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo
22 Nation Council with the delegated authority to review, coordinate and approve projects
23 on the Navajo Nation to be financed by funds designated for capital improvement. 2
24 N.N.C. § 500 (A) and (C)(5).

25 B. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation
26 Council with the delegated responsibility to protect the interests of the Navajo People
27 through the prudent management of financial reserves of the Navajo Nation and the use
28 of funds available for expenditure by the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 300 (A) and (C)(4).

29 C. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the General Fund Revenue Replacement
30 Reserve shall only be amended by resolution of the Budget and Finance Committee when

1 recommended by the Resource and Development Committee. Resolution CMY-28-24,
2 Section Six (F).

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4 **SECTION TWO. RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION CMY-28-24**

5 A. Council Resolution CMY-28-24 established the Revenue Replacement Reserve as a
6 committed fund balance within the Navajo Nation General Fund for the purpose of
7 housing, protecting, and reserving certain funds from the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery
8 Fund (“NNFRF”) until the Navajo Nation established a statutory trust fund that will be
9 used to leverage funding for government services and long-term infrastructure
10 development. Resolution CMY-28-24, Section Five.

11 B. The following provisions of Resolution CMY-28-24 specifically apply to Delegate
12 Region Project Plans funded through the Revenue Replacement Reserve:

13 1. To provide more flexibility and increase the time available to complete Delegate
14 Region Project Plans, the Navajo Nation reallocated *unobligated and unspent*
15 Delegate Region Project Plan funds from the NNFRF to the Revenue Replacement
16 Reserve. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the Revenue Replacement
17 Reserve are not subject to U.S. Treasury rules and guidance. Resolution CMY-28-
18 24, Section Six (A).

19 2. The transfer of Delegate Region Project Plan funding from the NNFRF to the
20 Revenue Replacement Reserve shall not increase or decrease the eight million eight
21 hundred two thousand three hundred forty dollars (\$8,802,340) allocated to each
22 Delegate Region pursuant to Resolution CJN-29-22, Section Three; and CMY-28-
23 24, Section Six (C).

24 3. The Office of the Controller, with the assistance of the NNFRF Office and Office of
25 Management and Budget, shall administratively implement the transfer of
26 unobligated and unspent Delegate Region Project Plans from the NNFRF to the
27 Revenue Replacement Reserve. The transfer shall keep the Delegate Region Project
28 Plans intact. CMY-28-24, Section Six (D).

29 4. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the Revenue Replacement Reserve
30 shall be limited to the following purposes, unless otherwise excepted through

1 resolution of the Navajo Nation Council: Projects for programs to provide
2 government services to Chapter members; to provide basic PPE to Chapter members;
3 to provide food, fuel, firewood assistance to Chapter members; for construction
4 projects such as renovations to Chapter houses, new housing construction, housing
5 renovations, and house wiring; to plan and design projects; to hire consultants to
6 assist with eligible programs and projects; to hire PEP workers, student workers and
7 other temporary employees, or regular status employees to assist the Chapter
8 governments in carrying out eligible programs and projects. Delegate Region Project
9 Plans shall not include vaccinations or any cash assistance for Chapter members, such
10 as a hardship assistance program. CMY-28-24, Section Six (E).

11 5. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the General Fund Revenue
12 Replacement Reserve shall only be amended by resolution of the Budget and Finance
13 Committee when recommended by the Resource and Development Committee.
14 CMY-28-24, Section Six (F).

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16 SECTION THREE. FINDINGS

17 A. Kaibeto Chapter requests amendment to projects previously approved in Resolutions
18 CAP-10-23 and CMY-38-23 and amended in Resolutions NABID-54-23 and NABIMY-
19 36-24.

20 B. Kaibeto Chapter requests the funding for the Kaibeto Housing Support Project (N01659)
21 in the amount of \$478,974.50 and the Kaibeto Chapter Renovation Project (N01656) in
22 the amount of \$100,000, be deleted and transferred to the Kaibeto New Homes Project
23 (N01657). After the transfers are completed, the Kaibeto New Homes Project will total
24 \$1,208,974.50.

25 C. Kaibeto Chapter provided a memorandum dated October 7, 2025, attached as **Exhibit A**,
26 that reflects its request.

27 D. The Resources and Development Committee recommends to the Budget and Finance
28 Committee that the Delegate Region Project Plan for Delegate Helena Nez Begay's
29 Delegate Region be amended in accordance with **Exhibit A**.

1 **SECTION FOUR. APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO KAIBETO CHAPTER
2 PROJECTS INCLUDED IN DELEGATE HELENA NEZ BEGAY'S DELEGATE
3 REGION PROJECT PLANS**

4 A. The Navajo Nation, through the Resources and Development and Budget and Finance
5 Committees, approves the changes to Kaibeto Chapter's projects previously approved
6 through Resolutions CAP-10-23 and CMY-38-23 and amended in Resolutions NABID-
7 54-23 and NABIMY-36-24, set forth in **Exhibit A**.
8 B. The amendments to Kaibeto Chapter's projects comply with the relevant provisions in
9 Resolution CMY-28-24 and do not increase the overall costs of Delegate Helena Nez
10 Begay's Delegate Region Project Plan.

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