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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee, Naabik'iyáti Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Sharlene Begay-Platero as the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0030-26

**DATE:** February 6, 2026

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHARLENE BEGAY-PLATERO AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**PURPOSE:** This proposed of this legislation is to confirm Navajo Nation President Dr. Buu Nygren's appointment of Sharlene Begay-Platero as the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Navajo Nation Council

**VOTE REQUIREMENT:** Majority Vote

**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.**

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: Al McKee  
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Resources & Development Committee  
Thence  
Naabik'íyáti' Committee  
Thence  
Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2026

Introduced by:



(Prime Sponsor)

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE,  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL;  
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHARLENE BEGAY-PLATERO AS  
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A). The Resources and Development Committee exercises oversight authority over the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development. 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(1).
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee reviews all legislation requiring final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164 (A)(9), 700 (A).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation and shall confirm the appointments of all division directors upon recommendation from the appropriate oversight committee. 2 N.N.C. §§ 102(A) and (F).

1 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

2 A. The establishment of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development  
3 (“NDED”) is outlined at 2 N.N.C. § 1501.

4 B. Resolution No. RDCO-055-19 approved the Plan of Operation for the NDED and it  
5 provides that the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic  
6 Development is appointed by the Navajo Nation President and confirmed by the  
7 Navajo Nation Council. *See*, NDED Plan of Operation Section IV (A).

8 C. The Navajo Nation President Dr. Buu Nygren appointed Sharlene Begay-Platero as  
9 the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development.  
10 Sharlene Begay-Platero’s appointment letter is attached as **Exhibit A** and Ms. Begay-  
11 Platero’s résumé is attached as **Exhibit B**.

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13 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE**  
14 **DIRECTOR OF THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF ECONOMIC**  
15 **DEVELOPMENT**

16 The Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms Navajo Nation President Dr. Buu  
17 Nygren’s appointment of Sharlene Begay-Platero as the Executive Director of the  
18 Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development.