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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
**Tracking No. 0037-26**

**DATE:** February 18, 2026

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF CAROLYN TSO AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION**

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, would reinstate Carolyn Tso as a member of the Navajo Nation.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Navajo Nation Council

**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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Naabik'iyáti' Committee  
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1 PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
2 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2026

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11 RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO  
12 NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF CAROLYN  
13 TSO AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION  
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15 BE IT ENACTED:

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17 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- 18 A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §  
19 102 (A).  
20 B. A proposed resolution that requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council shall be  
21 assigned to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A) (9).  
22 C. Any enrolled member of the Navajo Nation may renounce his or her membership  
23 through written petition to the President of the Navajo Nation requesting his or her  
24 name be stricken from the Navajo Nation census roll. However, reinstatement of  
25 membership with the Navajo Nation is permitted, provided such reinstatement is  
26 approved by majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council. 1 N.N.C. § 705.  
27 D. To be eligible for membership in the Navajo Nation, an individual cannot be enrolled  
28 as a member of any other tribe of Indians. 1 N.N.C. § 703.  
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1           **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 2           A. Carolyn Tso was previously enrolled with the Navajo Nation, “being of ¼ degree  
3           Navajo Indian Blood.” The attached **Exhibit A** is the official record containing census  
4           number and Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood recorded September 16, 1992, by  
5           Navajo Nation Vital Statistics.
- 6           B. Carolyn Tso relinquished membership with the Navajo Nation and enrolled with the  
7           San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe. Carolyn Tso has since then disenrolled from the San  
8           Juan Southern Paiute Tribe, verified by the attached **Exhibit B**, “VERIFICATION OF  
9           NON-ENROLLMENT,” dated November 6, 2025.
- 10          C. On January 23, 2026, the Leupp Chapter, in response to request for reinstatement,  
11          passed resolution LP 12-025-2025, “LEUPP CHAPTER SUPPORTING THE  
12          REINSTATEMENT OF CAROLYN TSO TO THE NAVAJO NATION TRIBAL  
13          ENROLLMENT.” See **EXHIBIT C**, Luepp Chapter Resolution LP 12-025-2025.
- 14          D. Carolyn Tso is eligible for reinstatement as a member of the Navajo Nation.

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16           **SECTION THREE. REINSTATEMENT OF CAROLYN TSO**

17           The Navajo Nation Council hereby approves the reinstatement of Carolyn Tso as an  
18           enrolled member of the Navajo Nation. Carolyn Tso shall hereinafter be entitled to all  
19           rights, benefits and privileges associated with Navajo Nation membership.

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