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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0242-26

DATE: October 8, 2026

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOMMY ROCK, PH.D. TO THE DINÉ URANIUM REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to confirm the appointment of Tommy Rock, Ph. D., to serve on the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission as a Community Member of the North Central Region for a term ending September 30, 2029.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Navajo Nation Council

VOTE REQUIRED: Simple Majority

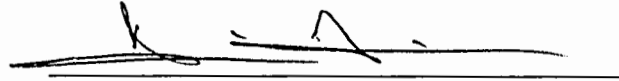
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PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2026

Introduced By:



(Prime Sponsor)

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND NAVAJO NATION
COUNCIL; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOMMY ROCK, PH.D.
TO THE DINÉ URANIUM REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee. 2 N.N.C. § 700(A).
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council exercises legislative oversight of the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 3583; CAP-14-15.
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(9), reviews proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council.
- D. The Navajo Nation Council appoints the six (6) commission members representing the six Abandoned Uranium Mines (AUM), Northern, North Central, Eastern, Southern, Western and Central. NABIJN-44-24.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Tommy Rock, Ph.D. has requested to serve on the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission as the Community Member from the North Central Region.

1 Tommy Rock, Ph. D's, letter of interest and resume show background in
2 environmental science, environmental justice, social science, health and policy
3 making. His letter of interest and resume are attached as **Exhibit 1**. Tommy Rock,
4 Ph. D is an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation. His CIB is attached as **Exhibit**
5 **2**.

6 B. The Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission was established within the
7 Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 3583; CAP-14-15.

8 C. The Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission shall consist of seven (7)
9 members. "Seven members shall be community members, preferably one from each
10 of the six Abandoned Uranium Mines (AUM) Regions (as defined by the U.S. EPA)
11 affected by past uranium mining – Northern, North Central, Eastern, Southern,
12 Western, and Central, and one selected At-Large Community Representative.
13 These seven (7) members shall all be enrolled members of the Navajo Nation with
14 a background in environmental science, environmental justice, engineering, social
15 science, health, policy making if at all possible." NABIJN-44-24, attached as
16 **Exhibit 3**, DINÉ URANIUM REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
17 Amended Master Plan of Operation 2024 ("Commission Plan of Operation"), VIII
18 (2)(a).

19 D. "The Navajo Nation Council shall appoint the six Members representing the six
20 uranium mining regions. NABIJN-44-24, Commission Plan of Operation, VIII
21 (3)(b).

22 E. "The President and Council may, but are not required to, make a public
23 announcement soliciting letters of interest and statements of qualification for the
24 Commission member positions. **Exhibit 3**, NABIJN-44-24, Commission Plan of
25 Operation, VIII (3)(c).

26 F. "The initial term of the Commission shall be approximately five (5) years. The
27 second term shall begin when a quorum of Commissioners is established and shall
28 end on September 30, 2029. The Navajo Nation Council may, by majority vote,
29 renew the Commission for an additional five-year term, or for such period as the
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Council may choose.” **Exhibit 3**, NABIJN-44-24, Commission Plan of Operation,
VIII (1).

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT

The Navajo Nation hereby confirms the appointment of Tommy Rock, Ph.D. to serve
on the Diné Uranium Remediation Advisory Commission as a Community Member of
the North Central Region for a term ending on September 30, 2029.