

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2019

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT
OF FIVE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL DELEGATES AND 5 APPOINTMENTS FROM
THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT TO THE NAVAJO NATION CENSUS 2020
COMPLETE COUNT COMMISSION

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §700(A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. On March 28, 2019, the Navajo Nation through the 24th Navajo Nation Council established the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission. See NABIMA-20-19 attached as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The purpose of the Commission is "to take the lead role in conducting a Census 2020 awareness and outreach campaign throughout the Navajo Nation jurisdiction and where Navajo People reside in the United States by reviewing activities, coordinating work, providing guidance, promoting and supporting efforts of the entities and organizations involved with the Census 2020 Operation." *Id.*
- C. "The Commission shall consist of ten (10) members consisting of five (5) members of the Navajo Nation Council, with one member from each of the five agencies and five (5) members at-large representing various organizations (public and private sectors). The five members of the Navajo Nation Council will be appointed by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the remaining five members will be appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation. All ten (10) members shall be confirmed

by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council and shall serve at the pleasure of the Navajo Nation Council." *Id.*

- D. All Commission members shall serve a term of one year and six months of office, effective April 2019 to September 2020, unless otherwise authorized by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. *Id.*
- E. The Speaker of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, Honorable Seth Damon, has appointed five members of the 24th Navajo Nation Council to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission. See Appointment Memorandum attached as **Exhibit A**.
- F. The Navajo Nation President has appointed 5 members to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission. See appointment letter dated May 15, 2019 at **Exhibit B**.

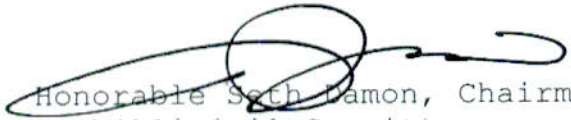
SECTION THREE. NAABIK' IYATI' COMMITTEE CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee hereby confirms the appointments of the following Delegates to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission:
 - 1. Delegate Edison Wauneka representing the Ft. Defiance Agency;
 - 2. Delegate Thomas Walker, Jr. representing the Western Agency;
 - 3. Delegate Jamie Henio representing the Eastern Agency;
 - 4. Delegate Kee Allen Begay, Jr. representing the Chinle Agency; and
 - 5. Delegate Charlaine Tso representing the Northern Agency.
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee hereby confirms the appointments of the President of the Navajo Nation as submitted and found in Exhibit B

- C. Pursuant to NABIMA-20-19, the confirmed Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commissioners shall serve a term of one year and six months effective April 2019 to September 2020.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 20 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 23rd day of May 2019.



Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee
24th Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Elmer P. Begay
Second: Honorable Nelson S. BeGaye

Chairman Seth Damon not voting



24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER



HONORABLE SETH DAMON

Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: Eugenia Charles-Newton, Council Delegate (Northern Agency)
Thomas Walker, Jr., Council Delegate (Western Agency)
Edison Wauneka, Council Delegate (Fort Defiance Agency)
Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Council Delegate (Chinle Agency)
Jamie Henio, Council Delegate (Eastern Agency)

FROM:


Seth Damon, Speaker
24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

DATE: April 22, 2019

SUBJECT: **Appointment to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission**

I am pleased to appoint you to serve on the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission for a term of one year and six months, effective April 2019 to September 2020, unless otherwise authorized by the Naabik'iyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

On March 28, 2019, the 24th Navajo Nation Council established the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission. The purpose of the Commission is to take the lead role in conducting a Census 2020 awareness and outreach campaign by reviewing activities, coordinating work, providing guidance, promoting and supporting efforts of the entities and organizations involved with the Census 2020 Operation.

Pursuant to NABIMA-20-19, the Speaker shall appoint five (5) members of the Navajo Nation Council, with one member from each of the five agencies and the remaining five members will be appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation. All ten (10) members shall be confirmed by the Naabik'iyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council and shall serve at the pleasure of the Navajo Nation Council.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

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THE NAVAJO NATION

JONATHAN NEZ | PRESIDENT MYRON LIZER | VICE PRESIDENT



May 15, 2019

Hon. Seth Damon
Office of the Speaker
Post Office Box 3390
Window Rock, AZ 86515



SUBJECT: President's Appointment of five (5) members to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission

Dear Mr. Speaker,

The Navajo Nation recently celebrated 150 years since the signing of our Treaty, Naal Tsoos Saní, the foundation of our sovereignty, our identity as a People, our return to Dinétah. We will soon have our own copy of our Treaty as legislation is introduced by Honorable Otto Tso to accept this generous gift. I look forward to working together with Hon. Tso in this effort. The Treaty is the source of our government-to-government relationship with the United States and neighboring States and our recognition to the world of who we are as a Nation. We are the Navajo Nation. We are one Nation not limited by State boundaries, not identified as New Mexico, Arizona, or Utah. From Tohajiilee, Torreon, Ojo Encino in the East; Alamo, Ramah, Nahata Dziil in the South; Cameron, Bodaway/Gap, Coppermine in the West; Oljato, Red Mesa, Aneth in the North; and all other Navajo Chapters, we are the Navajo Nation.

Working together we should not limit ourselves by State identity; rather we must stand together for who we are, elected leaders of the Navajo Nation. We can no longer afford to pit leadership against each other with State identity. We have to work together as a Nation and for the Nation. This is what we, Vice President Lizer and I, think and this is our approach to working with the Navajo Nation Council. We will continue to advocate for Chapters at the State level for the funds that will improve our communities but we will advocate for the entire Navajo Nation. We know this advocacy produces results if we work together with Council Delegates as we did in New Mexico with Delegates Amber Crotty, Jamie Henio, Mark Freeland, Pernell Halona, Rickie Nez, and Edmund Yazzie.

My approach to the appointment to the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission is to look to those who will advocate for the Navajo Nation in this important endeavor. However, I recognize the past debates of "balancing" representation on such Commission. In the spirit of cooperation and to move this important Commission forward to begin their important work I will revise my nominations to the 2020 Complete Count Commission for Legislation No. 0100-19.

As established in the adopted Plan of Operation for the Commission, NABIMA-20-19, I am appointing the following members to represent the Navajo Nation President and Vice President on the Navajo Nation Census 2020 Complete Count Commission:

1. Kathleen Arviso, Vanderwagen, Navajo Nation
2. James Adakai, Oljato, Navajo Nation
3. Lena Fowler, Tuba City, Navajo Nation
4. Jesse Thompson, Teesto-Hardrock, Navajo Nation
5. Myron Tsosie, Chinle, Navajo Nation

Their service on the Commission shall be consistent with provisions stipulated in NABIMA-20-19. I look forward to their future contributions and support the work that lies before them.

I would appreciate the appointees added to Legislation No. 0100-19. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J-Nez' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jonathan Nez, President

NAVAJO NATION

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Naa'bik'iyati Committee

5/23/2019

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Amd# to Amd#	Legislation 0100-19: Confirming	PASSED
MOT Begay, E	the Appointment of Five Navajo	
SEC BeGaye, N	Nation Council Delegates to the	
	Navajo Nation Census 2020...	

Yea : 20

Nay : 0

Excused : 2

Not Voting : 1

Yea : 20

Begay, E	Daniels	Smith	Tso, O
Begay, K	Freeland, M	Stewart, W	Walker, T
Begay, P	Halona, P	Tso, C	Wauneka, E
BeGaye, N	Henio, J	Tso, D	Yazzie
Brown	Nez, R	Tso, E	Yellowhair

Nay : 0

Excused : 2

James, V	Charles-Newton
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Not Voting : 1

Crotty

Presiding Chair: Damon