RESOLUTION OF THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Second Year, 2020

AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE: APPROVING THE SPEAKER'S APPOINTMENT OF FRANK ADAKAI TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT POSITION ON THE NAVAJO NATION HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700.
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee has the authority to approve appointments by the Speaker to the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 922 (A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and confirmed by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 922(A).
- B. The NNHRC shall consist of five commissioners with reputable and established backgrounds in the fields of education, business, law enforcement, and social services. 2 N.N.C. § 922(A).
- C. The NNHRC commissioners shall each serve a four-year term pursuant to the NNHRC Plan of Operation, as approved by CJN-15-08. When a vacancy occurs on the Commission, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council appoints a new qualified member. Id., at Section IV-B, Organization/Term of Office.
- D. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council has appointed Frank Adakai for the law enforcement position on the NNHRC. **Exhibit** 1.
- E. Frank Adakai fulfills the requirements for appointment to fill the vacancy existing for the law enforcement position on the NNHRC, based on his reputable and established background in law enforcement. Exhibit 2.
- F. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the Naabik'íyáti' Committee consider it to be in the best interest of the Navajo

Nation that Frank Adakai be appointed to the law enforcement position of the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission for a four-year term, thereby meeting the law enforcement requirement.

SECTION THREE. APPOINTMENT

The Naabik'íyáti' Committee hereby confirms the appointment by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation of Frank Adakai to the law enforcement position on the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission. Mr. Adakai shall fill the law enforcement position for the four-year term.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' 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 22 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 11th day of December 2020.

Monorable Seth Damon, Chairman Naabik'îyáti' Committee

Date

Motion: Honorable Pernell Halona Second: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

Chairman Seth Damon not voting



HONORABLE SETH DAMON

Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

December 3, 2020

Frank Adakai

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87114

Dear Mr. Adakai,

The Office of the Speaker is pleased to inform you of your appointment to the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission for the Law Enforcement position. Your appointment will be effective upon the approval by the Naa'bik'iyati' Committee.

Thank you for accepting this important responsibility to become the Commissioner for the Law Enforcement Sector of the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission. If you have any questions, please contact Interim Chief of Staff, Sherylene Yazzie at (928) 871-7160.

Respectfully,

Seth Damon

Honorable Speaker

24th Navajo Nation Council



September 16, 2020

Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission P.O. Box 129 St. Michaels, Arizona 86511

To whomever this may concern:

Greetings:

This letter is to officially serve as my interest for the Navajo Nation Human Rights Law Enforcement Commissioner position. My resume is attached.

In summary:

I am Frank Adakai, originally from Manuelito, New Mexico, enrolled Dineh' of Eastern Navajo, D.O.B;

My current address is Albuquerque, New Mexico 87114, home telephone number is 505-

My clans are; Todicheenie on my mother's side, Nakai Dine' (wondering people) on my father's side, Tsinijinnie on my father's parents side and Kin'Yah'Oni' Towering House on my mother's parents side.

I am married and have been going on fifty eight (58) years to my beautiful wife, Corie Moran Adakai, who is an enrolled Ojibwa of the Turtle Mountain Band of North Dakota.

We have three adult children and all reside in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Very fortunate to speak and converse in my native Dineh' language.

I am also very fortunate that I was born with and never forgot my Dineh' Culture, Traditions, Ceremonies and songs. I still pray with Tah' Dei' Dein' or corn pollen.

I never forgot my teachings of knowing where I come from and where I am going.

I feel and very confident my family and I accomplished the traditional Dineh' teachings of, DAH' EIN' SHI' ISH' SHI' or what contributions have you made to society that is of a landmark that others can see?

The other Dineh' teachings that my family and I have greatly accomplished is, **TAH' WHO' IT'**JIT' TWEI' or you as a person can accomplish anything you set your mind on.

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Total	35
Distance Travel	5
Navajo Speaker	10
Work Experience	10
Training Certification	10
Education	0
Name Frank Adakai	

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EXPERIENCE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

I was in the Criminal Justice System for a total of thirty-seven and half (37 ½) years, eight (8) years in Uniform on the Navajo Nation and twenty-nine and half (29 1/2) years as a Federal Agent, in other parts of the United States.

In 1960, I applied for and was hired on as a Navajo Police Officer in Ft. Defiance, Arizona. I was a rookie police officer assigned to and was stationed at the Lupton Police Sub-station for one year.

After the year, I was transferred back to Police Headquarters in Ft. Defiance, Arizona. I was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and was transferred to the Tuba City Police District, where I worked as a supervisor for about a year.

I was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and transferred to the Chinle Police District. I was the second in command in Chinle for four and half (4 ½) years.

After the 4½ years, I was promoted to the rank of District Captain and transferred to the Window Rock Police District. In this position, I was very active in commanding the entire Window Rock Police District and interacting with the Assistant and Chief of Police. I also interacted with the Navajo Nation Tribal Chairman office and the entire Tribal Council during the time I was the District Captain.

After two years of being a District Captain, I resigned and was hired on as a Federal Agent with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Criminal Investigation. The position was Agency Special Officer.

I was transferred to the Chinle Agency. There, I served as an adviser to the Chinle Navajo Police Department, however my main duties and responsibility was to investigate Major Crimes and other serious type violations.

After eight years in Chinle, I took a transfer to the Mescalero Agency. Here, I was responsible for the daily operation of and training the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. This included Police Officers, Administrative, Radio Dispatchers, Cook and Jailers.

Here I also interacted with the Mescalero Apache Tribal President's office and the Tribal Council, on a daily basis.

After two years at the Mescalero Agency, I was promoted to Supervisory Criminal Investigator and transferred to the Wind River Agency in Ft. Washakie, Wyoming.

Here, I was responsible for the daily operation of and training the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. This included Police Officers, Administrative, Radio Dispatchers, Cook and Jailers.

I was transferred to the Red Lake Agency in Minnesota in January 1980. I was specifically transferred to reorganize and supervise the Red Lake Agency Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. Here, I was responsible for the daily operation of and training the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. This included Police Officers, Administrative, Radio Dispatchers, Cook and Jailers.

About a year prior, dissidents of the Red Lake Chippewa Tribe strong armed and forcibly took over the Law Enforcement facilities and Law Enforcement personnel. The facility was totally destroyed after fire was set by the dissidents

Here, my main duty and responsibility was to retrain and strictly promote Law and Order. Dissidents, periodically was still shooting at the Police facility and Police Officers.

After about three months, Law and Order was re-established on the Red Lake Chippewa Reservation. The Red Lake Tribal Council had totally moved off the reservation, prior to my arrival.

The Tribal Council was able to move back onto the reservation and began to operate, after being given assurance things were back to order.

After Red Lake assignment was transferred to reorganize and supervise the Rosebud Lakota Sioux Agency Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. Here, I was responsible for the daily operation of and training the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement personnel. This included Police Officers, Administrative, Radio Dispatchers, Cook and Jailers.

During my duties at the Chinle Agency, I received my credentials as Law Enforcement classroom Instructor from the North Western Traffic Institute in Evanston, Illinois.

In addition to my duties at the agency, I was always called to instruct at the Law Enforcement Indian Academy in Roswell, New Mexico, Brigham City, Utah, and Marana, Arizona.

My expertise in the instruction was, Traffic Accident Investigation, including narrative, photographing and diagraming, estimating speed of vehicle at time of impact, Criminal Investigation, Photographing of scene, diagraming, measurement of evidence located and preservation, Interrogation of suspect and interviewing of witnesses, Report Writing, Fingerprinting, Law Enforcement Ethics, Criminal Law and Jurisdiction on Indian Country.

After the Rosebud Agency assignment, I was assigned to the Central Office of Law Enforcement Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C.

After about a year of being assigned to Central Office, I was transferred to the Albuquerque Area Office of Law Enforcement as an Area Special Officer. In this position I oversaw and provided technical assistance to Law Enforcement programs operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Tribally Contracted and Tribal.

There were nineteen (19) Law Enforcement Programs within the Albuquerque Area which I oversaw and provided technical assistance to.

After the assignment to the Albuquerque Area Office, I transferred to the Central Office of Law Enforcement located in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In this position I conducted Internal Affairs Investigations, Inspection and Evaluation of Law Enforcement programs requesting such service. The onsite Inspection and Evaluation included Bureau of Indian Affairs, Tribally Contracted, and Tribal Law Enforcement Programs throughout the United States.

In addition to these responsibilities, I continued to perform Major Crime and other serious Crime Investigations.

In my assignments as Agency Special Officer, Area Special Officer, Criminal Investigator, and Supervisory Criminal Investigator at the following Agencies; Chinle, Mescalero, Wind River Agency, Red Lake Agency, Rosebud Agency and Albuquerque, I maintained the following duties and responsibilities.

In Mescalero, Wind River, Red Lake, and Rosebud, even though my title was Agency Special Officer, Criminal Investigator and/or Supervisory Criminal Investigator, I was technically the Chief of Police, as I headed up and directed the Law Enforcement Program. I was responsible for the administrative duties, Budgeting, Procurement of Law Enforcement equipment, training, inventory, equal distribution of police coverage for the reservations, and coordinating law enforcement services with outside agencies of State Police, Sheriff's Department, and nearby City Police Departments.

In addition, I coordinated and performed Major Crime and other serious crime investigations with the Police Departments, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Since my responsibility of investigation was on sight, I took on the duties of the crime scene, photographing, locating, identifying, collection, and preservation of evidence, crime scene diagram, locating of and conducting of interviews of witnesses, as well as interrogation of suspects involved. Investigative reports were submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Attorney's office.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents usually showed up several days after the completion of the crime scene. We would be fortunate if they showed up on the same day or a day after.

During my tenure in the Criminal Justice System, I was fortunate to have been nominated to, attended and graduated from the following;

5th Consolidated Departmental Management and Leadership Specialized five (5) month course sponsored by the Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C.

92nd session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

Twenty (20) week course in Law Enforcement Training coordinated by the Tucson City Police in Tucson, Arizona.

In 1997, retired from the Criminal Justice System.

After my retirement, then President Norman Wilson (deceased), of the Rosebud Lakota Sioux Tribe and Tribal Council, called and asked if I would consent on coming to reorganize their Law Enforcement Program. I signed a contract and was onsite for about a couple of months in 1998.

The duties and responsibilities included but not limited to, evaluating, reorganizing, hiring and promoting of officers, Training on Community Policing, patrol techniques, investigation of crimes and report writing. Additional duties included major crime investigation and referral of reports to the United States Attorney's office in Pierre, South Dakota.

The contract was completed and before departure, the Tribe hired a Police Chief.

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During my life time, I and my family traveled all over North America and Canada.

The creator blessed my wife and I of always being community oriented

My wife and I, as a team, traveled all over the United States and Canada with our ability of being facilitators for large and small Wellness conferences.

I served in the following trusted capacities, to name a few;

I was elected to and served on the Board of Education for the Chinle School District for five years, 1974 to 1978. I was elected to being the President for three years.

Governor Bill Richardson appointed me to and served on the State of New Mexico Behavioral Health Planning Council for four years.

During the time of my appointment was elected two years in a row to the Chair of the Native Sub-Committee, which is one of several sub-committees of the Planning Council..

I was elected to and served on the Paradise Hills Special Zoning Commission in Albuquerque, New Mexico, for fifteen (15) years, 1987 to 2002. I was the President for ten (10) years.

Past President and Founder of the New Year's Eve Sobriety Pow-Wow Association.

With this organization, we planned, organized, and coordinated a two day New Year's sobriety powwow for fifteen (15) years in Albuquerque and Bernalillo, New Mexico.

We planned, organized, coordinated and facilitated the annual three and half (3 ½) day Wellness, Healing Skills Training Conference in Rio Rancho, New Mexico, for twelve (12) years. In coordination with the State of New Mexico Credentialing Board, we awarded twenty one (21) hours of Continuing Education Units (CEU) to each conferee.

While in retirement for over twenty two (22) years, decided to and authored three books that are currently being published. One book is titled, "I AM GOING TO NORTH DAKOTA", another is titled "YEL' NAH' YAH' " (one who has walked it) and the third is titled, "DINEH' KEI' CHEI' YEH' DAIL' TWEI." Or we speak in the Dineh' Language.

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NAVAJO NATION

Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Special Meeting

12/11/2020

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Consent Agenda: Legislations

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