

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0160-22

**DATE:** August 24, 2022

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Thence  
Naabik'iyati' Committee

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION

24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2022

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1 § 401 (B) (7).

2 A. DALTCS is applying for funding from the Administration for Community  
3 Living/Administration on Aging Older Americans Act Title VI grants.

4 B. The Administration for Community Living endorses the National Resource Center on  
5 Native American Aging (NRCNAA) and its partnership with Tribal Nations to identify  
6 the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native elders nationwide via the need  
7 assessment, in which the NRCNAA and the Navajo Nation will assume the following  
8 responsibilities:

9 The NRCNAA will provide:

- 10 1. Needs assessment instruments, Assistance in sampling, Training of  
11 interviewers, Consultation with interviewers via email or telephone, Data  
12 entry and analysis, Data storage on a secure server, Production of tables  
13 and comparisons with national statistics; and,

14 The Navajo Nation will provide:

- 15 1. A Tribal Resolution documenting participation in the needs assessment,  
16 A count of elders, Interviewers or volunteers to conduct the survey,  
17 Interpretation of the results with local input, Development of  
18 recommendations for actions, Dissemination of the results to tribal  
19 leaders and health officials; and
- 20 2. Summary information from needs assessment along with a national  
21 comparison report that will be returned to the governing council and to the  
22 local contact person; and
- 23 3. Data sovereignty, confidentiality and safeguarding is of utmost importance;  
24 therefore, the information is collected anonymously, data is stored on a  
25 secure server for the life of the NRCNAA, and physical copies of the needs  
26 assessments will be stored within a locked storage cabinet at the University  
27 of North Dakota (UND) School of Medicine & Health Sciences for a period  
28 of ten years as outlined in the UND's Records and Retention Schedule.

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30 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,**

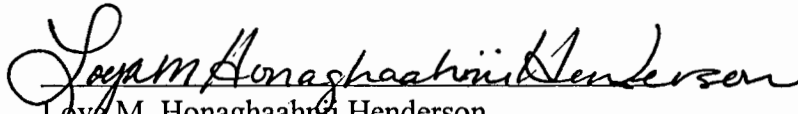
- 1 A. The Navajo Nation supports the application for funding from the Administration for  
2 Community Living/ Administration on Aging Older Americans Act Title VI grants  
3 (Parts A/B and C) for the grant period of April 1, 2023 March 31, 2026.
- 4 B. Additionally, the Navajo Nation Council authorizes participation in the "Identifying Our  
5 Needs: A Survey of Elders" needs assessment and grants permission to the National  
6 Resource Center on Native American Aging to use all collected needs assessment  
7 information in an aggregate format for disseminating state, regional, and national results  
8 from analyses of the data.
- 9 C. Specific information collected within the boundaries of the Navajo Nation belongs to  
10 the Navajo Nation and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or  
11 organizations without additional tribal authorization.
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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: 24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council Delegate

FROM:

  
Loya M. Honaghaahni Henderson  
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: August 24, 2022

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I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§301, 401, 501, 601 and 701. Nevertheless, "the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration." 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

Please ensure that his particular resolution request is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

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SPONSOR: Daniel E. Tso

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