

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0069-23

DATE: April 6, 2023

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIM KANUHO TO THE NAVAJO ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

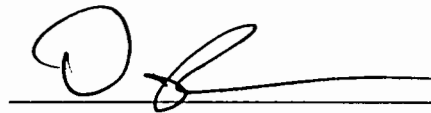
PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to confirm the appointment of Kim Kanuho to serve on the Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority Board of Directors, for a term of four (4) years.

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.

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: Johnson
Website Posting Time/Date: 4:34pm; 04-07-23
Posting End Date: 04-12-23
Eligible for Action: 04-13-23

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – First Year, 2023

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TRACKING NO. 0069-23

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIM KANUHO TO THE NAVAJO
ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee oversees areas such as roads and transportation, communication and utilities, economic and community development, commerce and trade, rights-of-way, public utilities, and housing. 2 N.N.C. §500(C).
- C. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council grants final confirmation of appointments to entities under the authority of the Committee requiring appointments. 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(9).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority is organized “[t]o engage in the general engineering and construction industry.” 5 N.N.C. § 1972 (A)(1).

- 1 B. The management board for the Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority shall
2 be appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation and confirmed by the Resources
3 and Development Committee. *See* 5 N.N.C. § 1973(C); 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(9).
- 4 C. Individuals with experience and/or education in the engineering, construction,
5 architectural, legal, accounting, management, or other construction related field shall
6 be given preference for appointment to the Board. 5 N.N.C. § 1973(D).
- 7 D. The members of the board shall serve four-year terms. 5 N.N.C. § 1973(C).
- 8 E. The Navajo Nation President appointed Kim Kanuho to serve as a member of the
9 Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority Board of Directors. Appointment
10 letter attached as **Exhibit A**; letter of interest attached as **Exhibit B**; résumé attached
11 as **Exhibit C** and Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood attached as **Exhibit D**. 5 N.N.C.
12 § 1973(D).
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14 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT**

15 The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council confirms
16 the appointment of Kim Kanuho to serve on the Navajo Engineering and Construction
17 Authority Board of Directors, for a term of four (4) years beginning with the certification
18 of this resolution.

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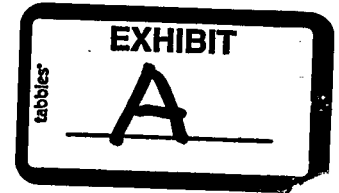
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The Navajo Nation **DR. BUU NYGREN** *PRESIDENT*
Yideeskáądi Nitsáhákees **RICHELLE MONTOYA** *VICE PRESIDENT*



February 22, 2023

Kim Kanuho

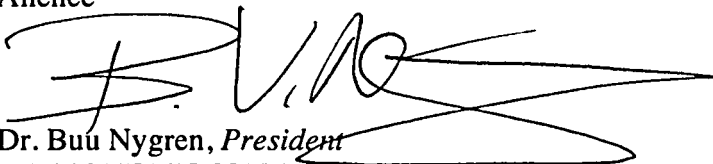
Re: Official Appointment to the Navajo Engineering & Construction Authority

Dear Ms. Kanuho,

I am pleased to appoint you to the Navajo Engineering & Construction Authority Board of Directors. I am confident you have the background, experience and education to represent the interests of this Administration on this Board of Directors. This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

I appreciate your desire to serve the Navajo Nation and the Navajo People. If there are any questions, please contact Patrick Sandoval, Chief of Staff at (928) 871-7244.

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Dr. Buu Nygren, *President*
THE NAVAJO NATION



February 22, 2023

Navajo Nation Office of the President
and Vice-President
P.O. Box 7440
Window Rock, AZ 86515

Subject: Navajo Engineering & Construction Authority Board Letter of Interest

Yá'át'ééh Board Selection Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as a Navajo Engineering & Construction Authority (NECA) Board Member. My name is Kim Kanuho, I am a proud member of the Navajo Nation from the Tábaqáí (Water's Edge People) born for the Tódich'iinii (Bitter Water People) and originally from Fort Defiance, AZ. I received my Bachelor's of Science in Urban Planning and a Master's in Urban & Environmental Planning (MUEP) from Arizona State University's College of Design. I have over fifteen years of experience working with Tribal Nations in the planning, design and construction field. Currently, I am the President of Fourth World Design Group LLC, a Navajo-owned community planning consulting firm, dedicated to assisting Tribal Nations with their diverse community and economic development initiatives. My work focus includes land-use planning, master planning, economic planning, strategic planning and community engagement in Tribal communities.

As an appointed board member, I will support NECA's mission and will contribute to the board by:

1. Utilizing my board experience with Diné Development Corporation and Construction in Indian Country, in overseeing the operations, management, policies and procedures.
2. Utilizing my economic development and business experience to strategically plan for long-term growth and development of existing and future enterprise expansions on the Navajo Nation.

As I understand, the Navajo Nation established the Navajo Enterprises to provide viable economic opportunities to benefit our Navajo people, communities and overall Navajo Nation. I would be happy to serve on the NECA board as I will utilize my experience, skills and knowledge as a professional planner and business owner to assist in the future growth, development and economic success of NECA and the Navajo Nation.

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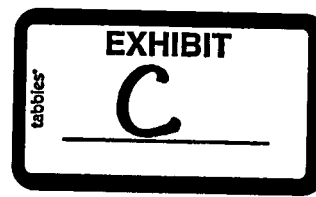
Kim Kanuho, President
Fourth World Design Group LLC

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Kim Kanuho, MUEP

President | Fourth World Design Group LLC



Kim Kanuho is the President of Fourth World Design Group LLC (FWDG) and a member of the Navajo Nation born for the Tábaqahí (Water's Edge People) and Tódich'íinii (Bitter Water People) clan originally from Fort Defiance, AZ. FWDG is a Navajo woman-owned community planning consulting firm dedicated to assisting Tribal Nations with their diverse community and economic development planning initiatives. Kim has over fifteen years of experience working with Tribal Nations in the planning, design and construction field. Mrs. Kanuho is an alumna of Arizona State University's College of Design, where she received her Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning and a Master in Urban & Environmental Planning (MUEP). Mrs. Kanuho actively serves on the Diné Development Corporation Board, Construction in Indian Country Executive Board and recently received the 2019 Small Business Award from the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of AZ. Growing up on the Navajo Nation, Kim is passionate about utilizing her education, experience and cultural teachings to promote positive community and economic development planning for the future growth and development in creating self-sustaining Tribal Nations.



Education

Master of Urban and Environmental Planning, Arizona State University.

Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning, Arizona State University.

Faculty Associate, School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning, Arizona State University.

Training / Certifications / Registrations

- Navajo Nation Priority-One Certification

Affiliations

- American Planning Association
- American Planning Association Arizona Chapter
- Constructin in Indian Country
- American Indian Chamber of Commerce AZ
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Partial List - Project Experience

- Cahuilla Long-Range Transportation Plan | Anza, CA
- Shiprock River View Master Plan | Shiprock, NM
- Window Rock Shopping Center Conceptual Site Plan | Window Rock, AZ
- Forest County Potawatomi Community Strategic Plan | Crandon, WI
- Former Bennett Freeze Area (FBFA) Economic and Market Feasibility Study | Navajo Nation, AZ
- Tuba City Shopping Center Conceptual Site Plan | Tuba City, AZ
- Navajo Nation Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) | Navajo Nation
- Pueblo de San Ildefonso Community Master Plan | San Ildefonso, NM
- Six Northern Navajo Chapter's Economic Opportunity Initiative | Navajo Nation
- Navajo Technical University Campus Master Plan | Chinle, AZ
- Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Master Plan | Brooks, CA
- Pueblo de San Ildefonso Community Land Use Plan | San Ildefonso, NM
- Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy | Phoenix, AZ
- Twin Arrows Master Plan and Development Strategy | Twin Arrows, AZ
- Navajo Housing Authority Sustainable Community Master Planning Initiative | Twin Lakes, Tohatchi, Naschitti, Coyote Canyon, Mexican Springs, NM, | Nahata Dził, Lupton, Houck, Wide Ruins and Klagnetoh, AZ
- Navajo Community Land Use Plans | Ganado, Steamboat, Cornfields and Cameron, AZ



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE
PRESIDENT

JONATHAN NEZ
VICE PRESIDENT

UNACCEPTABLE IF ALTERED

CERTIFICATE OF NAVAJO INDIAN BLOOD

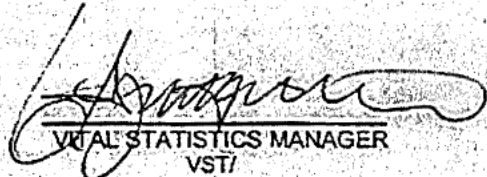
PART A (To be used if applicant is enrolled)

NORTHERN
AGENCY

July 17, 2018
DATE

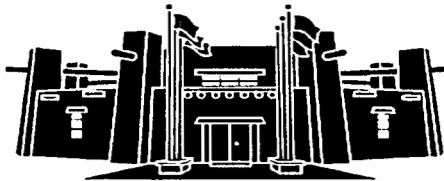
I certify that KIMBERLY LYNN SILENTMAN-KANUHO is listed on the Navajo Indian Census Roll, dated January 01, 1940, which is an official record of this office as being of Degree Navajo Indian blood, with Roll Number, , Date of birth .

RECORDED: OCTOBER 30, 1979


VITAL STATISTICS MANAGER
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THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS DOCUMENT
HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM THE OFFICIAL TRIBAL ROLL OF THE NAVAJO NATION.

VITAL RECORDS & TRIBAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
THE NAVAJO NATION ♦ PO BOX 3240 ♦ WINDOW ROCK, ARIZONA 86515



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Danny Simpson
Becenti, Lake Valley, Nahodishgish, Standing Rock, Whiterock, Huerfano, Nageezi,
Crownpoint Chapters

FROM: Mariana Kahn
Mariana Kahn, Attorney
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: April 6, 2023

SUBJECT: **23-087-1: AN ACTION RELATING TO CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT
OF KIM KANUHO TO THE NAVAJO ENGINEERING AND
CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As requested, I prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution 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.

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

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like to make to the proposed resolution.

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SPONSOR: Danny Simpson

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Date posted: April 07, 2023 4:34 PM

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Written comments may be mailed to:

Executive Director
Office of Legislative Services
P.O. Box 3390
Window Rock, AZ 86515
(928) 871-7586

Comments may be made in the form of chapter resolutions, letters, position papers, etc. Please include your name, position title, address for written comments; a valid e-mail address is required. Anonymous comments will not be included in the Legislation packet.

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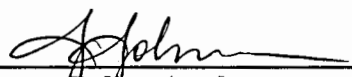
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5 DAY Comment Period Ended: April 12, 2022

Digital Comments received:

Comments Supporting	<i>None</i>
Comments Opposing	<i>None</i>
Comments/Recommendations	<i>None</i>



**Policy Analyst
Office of Legislative Services**

April 13, 2023; 8:20 AM

Date/Time