

RESOLUTION OF THE  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE OF THE  
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2015

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING THE  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI STATE TASK FORCE AS A OF THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'  
SUB-COMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Findings

- A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'íyáti' as a Navajo Nation standing committee and empowered the committee to "[t]o coordinate all...state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most effective delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A) and 701(A)(4) (2012) see also CJA-03-13.
- B. Naabik'íyáti' Committee may establish the State Task Force sub-committee. 2 N.N.C. § 186 (2012) see also CO-45-12.
- C. The Navajo Nation Council gave Naabik'íyáti' Committee the authority to delegate its authority as appropriate for efficiency and streamlining of government process to appropriate entities. 2 N.N.C. § 701(B) (2012) see also CJA-03-13.

Section Two. Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee Establishment

- A. The Navajo Nation establishes the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee to advance the position and priorities of the Navajo Nation within the States of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall:

1. Conduct regular interaction with the Navajo Nation lobbyist(s), state legislatures, officials, employees, and agents, to enhance the understanding between the Navajo Nation Council and the respective states; and
  2. Report monthly to the Navajo Nation Council Speaker the Task Force's activities; and
  3. Transfer information and recommendations to the Navajo Nation Council Speaker, the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, appropriate Navajo Nation Council standing committees, and appropriate Legislative Branch boards, commissions, agencies, offices and programs.
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall consist of nine members; three from each state (Arizona, New Mexico and Utah). The Navajo Nation Council Speaker shall appoint the delegates to serve on the sub-committee. The Navajo Nation Council Speaker appoints the following to the sub-committee, EXHIBIT A:
1. Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Arizona
  2. Jonathan Hale, Arizona
  3. Walter Phelps, Arizona
  4. Mel R. Begay, New Mexico
  5. Seth Damon, New Mexico
  6. Tom Chee, New Mexico
  7. Davis Filfred, Utah
  8. Nathaniel Brown, Utah
  9. Tsah bii Kin, Navajo Mountain, Shonto, Oljato Delegate, Utah
- C. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee by majority vote shall select a chairperson and vice-chairperson at their first meeting. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall serve at the Sub-committee's pleasure; replacement shall be by majority vote.
- D. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall establish a regular meeting day(s) of the month and shall meet more frequently during a state legislative session.

- E. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall present a written report to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee after each state's legislative session.

**Section Three. Sub-committee Term**

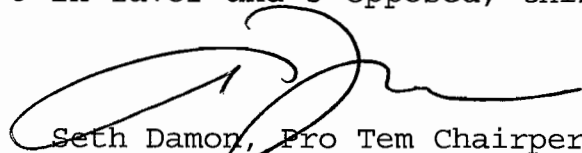
The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall exist until their assigned tasks are completed and shall report on the recommendations to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 186 (2012) *see also* CJA-03-13.

**Section Four. Directives**

- A. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one policy analyst to assist the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee.
- B. The Legislative Services' Executive Director shall assign two Office of Legislative Services staffers to assist the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee.
- C. The Speaker shall determine a Sub-committee budget and identify the funds.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 8 in favor and 5 opposed, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.



Seth Damon, Pro Tem Chairperson  
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Jonathan Perry  
Second: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale

**LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
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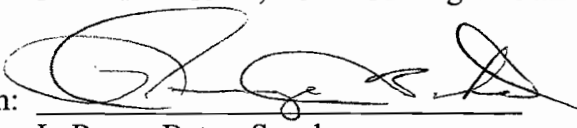


**HONORABLE LORENZO C. BATES**  
*Speaker, 23<sup>d</sup> Navajo Nation Council*



**Memorandum**

To: Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Council Delegate Arizona  
Jonathan Hale, Council Delegate Arizona  
Walter Phelps, Council Delegate Arizona  
Mel R. Begay, Council Delegate New Mexico  
Seth Damon, Council Delegate New Mexico  
Tom Chee, Council Delegate New Mexico  
Davis Filfred, Council Delegate Utah  
Nathaniel Brown, Council Delegate Utah

From:   
LoRenzo Bates, Speaker  
Navajo Nation Council

Date: May 1, 2015

Re: Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee Appointments

I am pleased to appointment you to the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee ("Task Force"). I appointed you because, as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate, you reside and represent the Navajo Nation in that particular state. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee's purpose is to advance the position and priorities of the Navajo Nation within the States of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah.

Your term as Commission member shall coincide with your term as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate and until your successor is appointed. Since the Naabik'íyáti' Committee needs to approve your appointment, you will serve at their pleasure.

Again, I am pleased to appoint you to the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee.