

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

AN ACTION
RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE NAVAJO NATION AS DETERMINED BY THE
24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RELATING TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR
2020

WHEREAS:

- A. Statements of policy, enactment of positive law, intergovernmental agreements, budget resolutions, and reallocations, must be reviewed and approved by resolution by the appropriate standing committee(s) and the Navajo Nation Council except as otherwise provided herein. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A).
- B. Statements of policy are written statements submitted to federal, state or local governments by a Navajo Nation official stating the official position of the Navajo Nation on proposed legislation or other action by that government. 2 N.N.C. § 110 (W).
- C. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered Naabik'íyáti' Committee to assist and coordinate all requests for information, appearances and testimony relating to proposed county, state and federal legislation impacting the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164 (A) (9), 701 (A) (4), and 701 (A) (6).
- D. The New Mexico Legislative Priorities provides a list of topics addressed during the Naabik'íyáti' Committee's State Affairs Task Force Subcommittee meetings.
- E. The Navajo Nation's Naabik'íyáti' Committee's State Task Force Subcommittee legislative priorities for 2020 pertaining to the State of New Mexico are attached as **Exhibit A**.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Navajo Nation hereby approves the Navajo Nation's legislative priorities relating to the State of New Mexico as determined by the 24th Navajo Nation Council and authorizes the Navajo Nation President, the Navajo Nation Speaker, and their designees, and the

Naabik'iyáti' Committee's State Task Force, to advocate the position of the Navajo Nation with the State of New Mexico.

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 15 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 23rd day of January 2020.



Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Vince James

Second: Honorable Mark A. Freeland

Chairman Seth Damon not voting

Navajo Nation - New Mexico Priorities 2020
Naabik'iyati State Task Force

1. Recalculate to increase the formulization for Impact Aid Money to school districts that serve Navajo students.
2. Request the state of the New Mexico and the public education dept. to full fill its decision pursuant to the Yazzie/Martinez v. State of New Mexico decision.
3. Support legislation that funds Navajo Pre-K Early Childhood and Head Start programs in New Mexico.
4. Fund capital projects for New Mexico Chapters Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)
5. Fund proposals submitted by New Mexico Chapters to Tribal Infrastructure Fund (TIF)
6. Fund Navajo Aging and Long Term capital projects.
7. Appoint a Navajo veteran to the New Mexico Veteran's Advisory Council
8. Request Navajo Veteran's Service Officers state/federal cross certification
9. Collaborate on the development and implementation of Amber Alert and Silver alert communication on the Navajo nation.
10. Development and fund E911 service/rural addressing and signage
11. Request infrastructure funding for law enforcement projects in Shiprock, NM and Tse Bonito, NM
12. Seek (Erate) funding for First Net broadband coverage on Navajo Nation
13. Collaborate and provide technical assistance regarding emergency management services on the Navajo Nation
14. Request support of Indian water rights settlement.
15. Seek support of sustainable renewable energy projects on the Navajo Nation.
16. Support legislation that protects sacred sites.
17. Request funding of school bus route maintenance on Navajo Nation
18. Request collaboration for delayed birth certification, federal ID, driver's licenses, and drivers authorization cards by New Mexico Navajo citizens.

19. Request New Mexico Economic Development to Identify placement for local economic development projects and opportunity zones on the Navajo Nation.
20. Collaborate for a joint tourism campaign between the New Mexico True and the Navajo Nation
21. Seek increased funding for in-home care for elders on the Navajo Nation through New Mexico Aging and Long-Term care services
22. Champion legislation that will strengthen intergovernmental cooperation addressing and preventing human trafficking
23. Implement Indian Child Welfare Act training for New Mexico CYFP and New Mexico Courts.

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 SEC Freeland, M Legislation 0016-20; Legislation
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PASSED

Yeas : 15

Nays : 0

Excused : 1

Not Voting : 7

Yea : 15

Begay, K	Daniels	Nez, R	Tso, E
Begay, P	Freeland, M	Smith	Walker, T
Charles-Newton	Halona, P	Stewart, W	Yellowhair
Crotty	James, V	Tso, D	

Nay : 0

Excused : 1

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Not Voting : 7

Begay, E	Henio, J	Tso, C	Yazzie
Brown	Slater, C	Tso, O	

Presiding Speaker: Damon