

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0098-21

DATE: June 11, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-20, ENTITLED, "AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS"

PURPOSE: If approved by the Navajo Nation Council, this legislation would rescind Navajo Nation Council Resolution CMA-16-21.

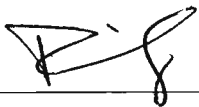
This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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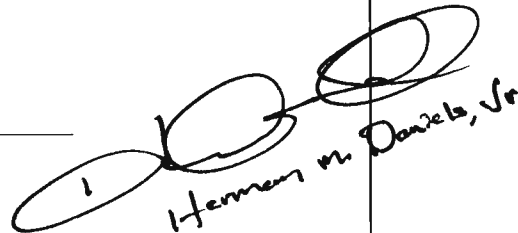
PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2021

INTRODUCED BY



(Prime Sponsor)

R. Nez



Herman M. Daniels, Jr.

TRACKING NO. 0098-21

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'
COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-
20, ENTITLED, "AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE
COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO
NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO
NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED
ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS"

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has oversight over the Navajo Nation roads. 2 N.N.C. § 500 (B).
- B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A) (9).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102 (A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

1 A. On March 24, 2020, the Honorable Speaker Damon certified and on April 3, 2020
2 Navajo Nation President Nez signed into law the Navajo Nation Council resolution
3 entitled "*AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-*
4 *19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION,*
5 *ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY*
6 *DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE*
7 *CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS.*" Navajo Nation Council Resolution
8 CMA-16-20 is hereto attached as **Exhibit A**.

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10 **SECTION THREE. RESCINDING CMA-16-20**

11 The Navajo Nation hereby rescinds CMA-16-20.
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13 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

14 The provisions of this action shall become effective in accord with 2 N.N.C. § 221 (B)
15 and shall remain effective until otherwise determined by act of the Navajo Nation
16 Council.
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18 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

19 Should any provisions of this Action be determined invalid by the Navajo Nation
20 Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the Navajo
21 Nation Supreme Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, those portions of this
22 Act which are not determined invalid shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.
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RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - SECOND YEAR, 2020

AN ACTION

RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102 (A).
- B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §164 (A)(16) "[m]atters constituting an emergency shall be limited to the cessation of law enforcement services, and disaster relief services, fire protection services or other direct services required as an entitlement under Navajo Nation or Federal law, or which directly threaten the sovereignty of the Navajo Nation. Such an emergency matter must arise due to the pressing public need for such resolution(s) and must be a matter requiring final action by the Council."

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. As recognized by the Navajo Treaty of 1868 and Treaty of 1849, the Navajo Nation has the inherent sovereign authority to protect its members through any emergency measure it deems necessary, including restricting travel onto the Navajo Nation by non-Navajo visitors.
- B. The Navajo Nation population comprises around 367,731 members, of which 200,000 live within the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, according to the 2010 U.S. Census.
- C. The Navajo Nation comprises 27,000 square miles of land and occupies portions of three States including northeastern Arizona, northwestern New Mexico and southeastern Utah. The geographic area is larger than 10 U.S. States, and includes five sovereign governments, and 11 counties across three states.

- D. The Navajo Nation has over 14,000 miles of roads; of these roughly 6,000 miles are U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs roads, 1,600 miles are county routes, and 5,000 miles are Navajo Nation owned and maintained. Only 23.4 % of the total roadway network is paved. 2016 Navajo Nation Long Range Transportation Plan.
- E. Given jurisdictional positions and challenges on the different types of roads, in the different counties, different states, and different governments are enormous.
- F. Presently, the Navajo Nation, like the United States and the entire world, are impacted by the spread of the COVID-19.
- G. The Navajo Nation has declared a State of Emergency regarding the outbreak of the COVID-19.
- H. The Navajo Nation (Navajo Nation Council, Speaker, President, Chief Justice, Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, Judicial Branch, chapters, township, enterprises, authorities, educational institutions, and business entities) is very concerned about the health, safety and welfare of the Navajo people and all Navajo Nation residents.
- I. The Navajo Nation has inherent sovereign power to limit access to its roads when necessary to protect self-government and the health and safety of its members. This authority is consistent with the Navajo Nation's inherent authority to control internal relations and matters and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Navajo Nation.
- J. It is in the best interest of the Navajo people, Navajo Nation residents, and visitors that all people are protected and safe from COVID-19, and that COVID-19 is contained effectively.

SECTION THREE. STATE OF EMERGENCY AND DECLARATION; ROAD CLOSURES AND EXCEPTIONS

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby declares that all Navajo Nation-owned and maintained roads shall be closed to all visitors and tourists. The intent of this action is to restrict travel onto the Navajo Nation by all visitors and tourists.
- B. Until this emergency declaration and measures are lifted, the Navajo Nation hereby requests the surrounding federal, state, and country governments and governmental subdivisions to work with applicable Navajo Nation public health, public safety,

and transportation authorities to ensure that visitors and tourists are restricted from traveling onto Navajo Nation-owned and maintained roads. The Navajo Nation Department of Transportation shall assist all law enforcement agencies in identifying roads maintained by the Navajo Nation.

SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE


The provisions of this Action shall become effective in accord with 2 N.N.C. § 221(B) and shall remain effective until otherwise determined by act of the Navajo Nation Council.

SECTION FIVE. SAVINGS CLAUSE

Should any provisions of this Action be determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, those portions of this Act which are not determined invalid shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by 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 21 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 20th day of March 2020.



Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker
24th Navajo Nation Council
3-24-2020
DATE

Motion: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.
Second: Honorable Carl R. Slater

Speaker Seth Damon not voting

ACTION BY THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT:

1. I, hereby, sign into law the foregoing legislation, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1005 (C)(10), on this 3rd day of April, 2020.


Jonathan Nez, President
Navajo Nation

2. I, hereby, veto the foregoing legislation, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1005 (C)(11), on this _____ day of _____, 2020 for the reason(s) expressed in the attached letter to the Speaker.

Jonathan Nez, President
Navajo Nation

THE NAVAJO NATION

JONATHAN NEZ | PRESIDENT MYRON LIZER | VICE PRESIDENT



April 3, 2020

Hon. Seth Damon
Office of the Speaker
Post Office Box 3390
Window Rock, AZ 86515

RE: CMA-16-20, *An Action Relating to an Emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, Ensuring Safe Protection Upon Roads Within the Navajo Nation by Declaring all Navajo Nation-Owned and Maintained Roads Shall be Closed to all Visitors and Tourists*

Dear Speaker Damon,

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Navajo Nation President, I am signing CMA-16-20 into law.

As CMA-16-20 states, the Navajo Nation has inherent sovereign power to limit access to its road when necessary to protect self-government and the health and safety of our members. With the COVID-19 virus rapidly spreading through the Navajo Nation, in some instances to the detriment of our People, this Resolution fits with the Public Health Emergency Order, 2020-003, that was issued on March 20, 2020.

While this Resolution was passed under the Consent Agenda, with no debate to explain the urgency of the legislation, we believe an explanation is necessary. The Navajo Department of Public Safety began implementation of limiting access to the Navajo Nation under the Curfew Order and will continue this role under CMA-16-20. The limited access also fits with the previous Order to close the Nation's parks and recreation areas. The Nation will allow access for necessary and essential travel for such persons as medical personnel and volunteers, essential delivery, and to allow for interstate commerce.

Thank you Speaker Damon and the 24th Navajo Nation Council.

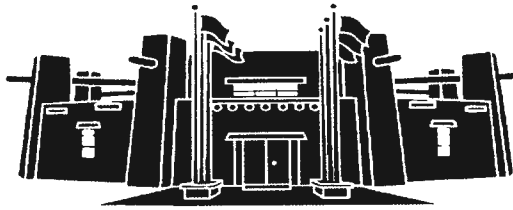
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Nez".

Jonathan Nez, President
THE NAVAJO NATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Myron Lizer".

Myron Lizer, Vice President
THE NAVAJO NATION



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Rick Nez
T'iistoh Sikaad, Nenahnezad, Upper Fruitland, Tse' Daa' Kaan, Newcomb, San Juan Chapters

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

DATE: May 21, 2021

SUBJECT: PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-20, ENTITLED, "AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS"

I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Please ensure that his particular resolution request is precisely what you want.

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).

THE NAVAJO NATION
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: _0098-21_

SPONSOR: Rick Nez

TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An Action Relating to an Emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 Virus within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, Ensuring Safe Protection Upon Roads within the Navajo Nation by Declaring All Navajo Nation-Owned and Maintained Roads Shall Be Closed to All Visitors and Tourists"

Date posted: June 14, 2021 at 3:40 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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**THE NAVAJO NATION
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW SUMMARY**

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Posted: June 14, 2021 at 3:40 PM

5 DAY Comment Period Ended: June 19, 2021

Digital Comments received:

Comments Supporting	1.) Judy Franz 2.) Steve and Tina Beckwith 3.) Chris Shores 4.) Dacie Coleman 5.) Pamela Chapman
Comments Opposing	<i>None</i>
Comments/Recommendations	1.) Julius Elwood



 Legislative Tracking Secretary
 Office of Legislative Services

June 21, 2021 8:00 AM
 Date/Time

Legislation 0098-21

judy@pagechamber.com

Tue 6/15/2021 2:34 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear President Jonathon Nez,

As the local Chamber and Visitor Center here in Page, AZ we are asking that you open the Canyons up for the Navajo Tour Operators so they may return to work. They have lost so much and so many employees from this and families have lost them as they have had to move away to seek employment. It has been an incredible painful time for them.

As Page bounces back after the Pandemic are tourist population is very disappointed with no beautiful slot Canyons to visit while they are here. This is the #1 request get 24/7. Our phones are ringing with the same question everyday "When will the Canyon reopen". As I am part of the Zoom Call for Business Monday with several of the Canyon owners or Managers, I can tell you they are "ready, able and willing" to open and comply to all CDC guidelines.

Please sign this legislation and let's get your people back doing what they love most "showing the Canyons" to the world!

My Best,

Judy A. Franz

Executive Director

The Chamber Page Lake Powell & Page-Lake Powell HUB official Visitor Center



Judy A. Franz

Executive Director

Chamber Page Lake Powell

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Tour Operations

Steven Beckwith <sbeckwith@farmersagent.com>

Tue 6/15/2021 11:07 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Mr. President & Navajo Nation Council,

We are writing today to support any effort to reopen the Tour Operations on the Navajo Nation and Navajo Tribal Parks.

We all have felt the impact of Covid-19 in our lives over the past year. Loss of Family, Friends, & Neighbors has been heartbreaking for all.

We also have felt the Economic Impact that Covid-19 has caused. Those of us that live in and around the Navajo Nation have been doubly impacted economically by the Covid-19 Pandemic and by the recent closing of the NGS Power Plant near Page, AZ. Thousands of the Dine' people have lost their jobs during this pandemic causing untold hardships on them and their families including; depression, alcohol and drug abuse, domestic violence, hunger, and homelessness.

We are glad that businesses are being allowed to reopen and strongly believe that the Tour Operations should be allowed this same opportunity. We believe that they can reopen and operate in safe and effective manner, meeting and exceeding CDC and NDOH guidelines.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and know that the employees of these Tour Operations are eager and will be happy to get back to work.

Sincerely,

Steve & Tina Beckwith
Beckwith Insurance Agency

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Legislation 0098-21 & Legislation 0097

Chris Shores <slackers16@yahoo.com>

Tue 6/15/2021 11:07 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

To whom it may concern:

I am local business owner of a family restaurant in Page, AZ called Slackers Quality Grub. I am a resident of Page AZ and have lived over 50 of my 60 years here in Northern Arizona.

We have been in business at this location for almost 15 years now and the roots of this restaurant go back to the early 80's under a different name (The Sandwich Place). Slackers is a landmark institution serving 'fast food fit for grown ups' and 'Cheeseburgers That'll Change Your Life'.

I have witnessed first hand the devastation that the Covid-19 pandemic has brought to the entire area. I do not take it lightly that the virus needs to be taken seriously, but I also fully support the reopening of the Navajo Nation Parks and specifically the Slot Canyons near Page. We have all come a long, long way in the last 15 months and I know it will still take time and attention to get through to the other side, but I believe we can safely and effectively manage the crowds and the virus in a positive way.

Back in December of 2020, my Wife and I both came down with Covid and we were sick, but not as seriously as many others. We were forced to close the restaurant for about 7-10 days while we could test all of the employees and luckily no one else was sick. We were fortunate to open back up and keep everyone busy doing what they love to do..., serve the customers.

I employ over 25 staff of which, 20 are Native American, specifically Navajo. I have had the pleasure of working alongside my crew and serving up those Cheeseburgers to the Community and surrounding area as well as to visitors from all over the World. I would like nothing more than continue to take care of the guests, both the locals and tourists to this most beautiful and fascinating area.

Please see it in your hearts and minds to re-open the Canyons and allow our neighbors to get back to work.

thank you for your time and the work you do.

Respectfully,

Chris Shores

Owner & Manager of Slackers Quality Grub "Home of the "Cheeseburgers That'll Change Your Life"

928-645-5267 (business)

Page, AZ 86040

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Re-opening

Dacie Coleman <dacie_2004@icloud.com>

Tue 6/15/2021 11:07 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Hello just my thoughts about re-opening the reservation and the parks we have been safe for a year now and also the number of covid cases have decreased. With the people getting vaccinated also help with the control of covid and we are a nation known for herd vaccinations be a success also around our area and people that are traveling has had been vaccinated and the re-open of the nation would really help
Our economy and have or people get back to work that they do need too because they are runny out of resources to make a daily living and with re-opening this would greatly be a big influence on the nation and help our people that have been waiting so long to get back To work thanks hopefully this little bit helps and to decide to re-open

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Legislation. 009 -21 Antelope Tours in Page, AZ

Pamela Chapman <cardsptchapman@gmail.com>

Tue 6/15/2021 11:07 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Navajo Nation Council:

Ya'at'eeh. I and along with numerous other people am in support of reopening of the Navajo Antelope Slot Canyon tours in Page, AZ. I have friends and family who relied on this small business to support their family's income.

If the flea markets on the reservation have been reopened, why not these small businesses? This absolutely does not make sense. These tours are held out doors and it should be up to the business to mandate masks if they want them. I believe it is pretty safe for these tours to be brought back into operation status.

Friends and family members who previously worked at these locations are eager to get back to work and support their families. These are also family businesses that are operated by Natives who can't wait to reopen.

Please let these places reopen to support small businesses and people who relied on this for their income. Your serious consideration is greatly appreciated.

Ahehee'
PChapman

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Legislation 0097-21 and Legislation 0098-21

Julius Elwood <jrelwood7@gmail.com>

Tue 6/15/2021 11:09 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

I believe this is a non enforceable law that is more for show than reality. Let's be honest the Navajo Nation Police Department cannot enforce this law anyway. We have many construction projects that have zero safety requirements that bring non-Navajo workers onto the Navajo Nation for months now while other companies are held to higher standards because they are higher profile companies that have to adhere to extremely strict policies, which they are more than happy to do. But we are now told to stay out of Navajo because we are seen in the same light as tourist! We're not tourist, we are essential employers who will enforce the most restrictive and highest level protocol requirements than most businesses ever to be on the Navajo Nation. We are required to have all crew members to have to be fully vaccinated but we still have to be tested every 3 days, 5 days an weekly depending on the proximity to each other. This is more strict than anything I have ever seen so I think we should be able to work and not be labeled as the same as tourists, we are essential employers who want to hire Navajo people to make money for their families at these critical times! Please open the Navajo Nation for TV productions and movie productions on the Navajo Nation!

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24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER

HONORABLE SETH DAMON

Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: Daniel Tso, Chairman
HEALTH EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES

Dana Bobroff, Chief Legislative Counsel
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

Manuel Rico, Executive Director
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

FROM:


Seth Damon, Speaker
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

DATE: June 23, 2021

SUBJECT: Legislation 0098-21

This memorandum is in reference to legislation 0098-21; *Proposed Navajo Nation Council Resolution: An action relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'iyati' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council: Rescinding CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An action relating to an emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 virus within the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, ensuring safe protection upon roads within the Navajo Nation by declaring all Navajo Nation-owned and maintained roads shall be closed to all visitors and tourists."*

This legislation needs to also be heard and voted on at the Health Education and Human Services Committee after it is heard at the Resources and Development Committee and before it goes to the Naabik'iyati' Committee and then the Navajo Nation Council. Please make these correction changes to the legislation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Interim Chief of Staff, Sherylene Yazzie at (928)871-7160 or at sheryleneyazzie@navajo-nsn.gov. Ahe hee'

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

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**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

THIRD YEAR 2021

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker,

The **RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

LEGISLATION # 0098-21: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, NAABIK'YATI COMMITTEES AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; RESCINDING CMA-16-20, ENTITLED, "*AN ACTION RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY; REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION, ENSURING SAFE PROTECTION UPON ROADS WITHIN THE NAVAJO NATION BY DECLARING ALL NAVAJO NATION-OWNED AND MAINTAINED ROADS SHALL BE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS AND TOURISTS*"
Sponsor: Honorable Rickie Nez.

Has had it under consideration and reports a DO PASS with one amendment:

AMENDMENT # 1:

1. Page 1, lines 11, insert language as follows:

RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, NAABIK'YATI COMMITTEES

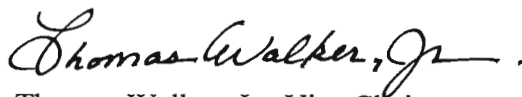
2. Page 1, line 23 insert a new paragraph B as follows:

B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council provides legislative oversight on matters involving health. 2 N.N.C. § 400 (C)(1).

3. Renumber or re-letter succeeding paragraphs, sections, and exhibits, accordingly, if necessary. This amendment shall supersede inconsistent language contained in any other committee amendment, which shall be conformed to the intent or language of this amendment. The Office of Legislative Services, with notice to the sponsor(s) of the Legislation, is hereby authorized to make necessary grammatical changes.

And thereafter the legislation was referred to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Walker, Jr., Vice Chairperson
Resources and Development Committee of
the 24th Navajo Nation Council

Date: June 23, 2021 – Regular Meeting (Teleconference)
Meeting Location: (RDC members called in via teleconference from their location within the boundary of the Navajo Nation.)

Main Motion:

Motion: Herman M. Daniels S: Wilson C. Stewart, Jr. V: 4-0-1 (VCNV)
In Favor: Mark A. Freeland, Wilson C. Stewart, Jr., Herman M. Daniels, and Rickie Nez
Excuse: Kee Allen Begay, Jr.
Not Voting: Presiding Vice Chairperson Thomas Walker, Jr.

AMENDMENT # 1:

Motion: Mark A. Freeland S: Wilson C. Stewart, Jr. V: 4-0-1 (VCNV)
In Favor: Mark A. Freeland, Wilson C. Stewart, Jr., Herman M. Daniels, and Rickie Nez
Excuse: Kee Allen Begay, Jr.
Not Voting: Presiding Vice Chairperson Thomas Walker, Jr.

(NOTE: VOTE TALLY attached hereto)

**HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

THIRD YEAR 2021

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker,

The **HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

Legislation No. 0098-21: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'íyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An Action Relating to an Emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 Virus within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, Ensuring Safe Protection Upon Roads within the Navajo Nation by Declaring All Navajo Nation-Owned and Maintained Roads Shall Be Closed to All Visitors and Tourists"

Sponsor: Rickie Nez, Council Delegate

Has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that it **DO PASS** with no amendments

And thereafter referred to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel E. Tso, Chairman

Health, Education and Human Services Committee
24th Navajo Nation Council

Date: June 23, 2021

Main Motion:

Motion : Honorable Paul Begay, Jr.
Second : Honorable Edison J. Wauneka
Vote : 5-0--0

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

June 23, 2021

Legislation No. 0098-21: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'íyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An Action Relating to an Emergency; Regarding the COVID-19 Virus within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, Ensuring Safe Protection Upon Roads within the Navajo Nation by Declaring All Navajo Nation-Owned and Maintained Roads Shall Be Closed to All Visitors and Tourists"
Sponsor: Rickie Nez, Council Delegate

VOTE TALLY SHEET:

Main Motion:

Motion: Honorable Paul Begay, Jr.

Second: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

Yea: Paul Begay, Jr.; Carl Slater; Pernell Halona; Charlaine Tso; Edison J. Wauneka

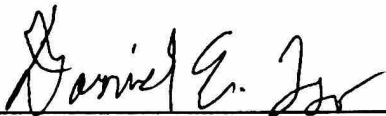
Nay: None

Not Voting: Daniel E. Tso (Presiding Chair)

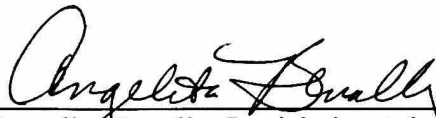
Excused:

Absent:

Vote: 5-0-0



Daniel E. Tso, Chairman
Health, Education and Human Services Committee
24th Navajo Nation Council



Angelita Benally, Legislative Advisor
Health, Education and Human Services Committee
Office of Legislative Services

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE REPORT Third Year 2021

The **NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL #0098-21

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Sponsored by: Honorable Rickie Nez

Co-Sponsored by: Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.

Has had it under consideration and reports the same that the legislation **WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL.**

Respectfully Submitted,



*Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE*

24 June 2021

MAIN MOTION

Motioned by: Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.

Seconded by: Honorable Pernell Halona

Vote: 17 In Favor, 00 Opposed (Chairman Damon Not Voting)

NAVAJO NATION

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6/24/2021

Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Regular Meeting

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Amd# to Amd#	Legislation 0098-21: Rescinding	PASSED
MOT Daniels	CMA-16-20, Entitled, "An Action	
SEC Halona, P	Relating to an Emergency;	
	Regarding the COVID-19 Virus....	

Yeas : 17

Nays : 0

Excused : 3

Not Voting : 3

Yea : 17

Begay, P	Halona, P	Stewart, W	Walker, T
Charles-Newton	Henio, J	Tso, D	Wauneka, E
Crotty	Nez, R	Tso, E	Yazzie
Daniels	Slater, C	Tso, O	Yellowhair
Freeland, M			

Nay : 0

Excused : 3

Begay, K	Brown	James, V
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Not Voting : 3

Tso, C	Smith	Begay, E
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Presiding Speaker: Damon