## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking No. <u>DOPO-17</u>

DATE: January 9, 2017

## TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ADOPTING THE SÍHASIN FUND SENIOR CITIZENS EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO CD-68-14 AND 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will approve the Senior Citizens expenditure plan for funding to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services for grants to supplement Navajo Nation government and non-Navajo government projects for opportunities provide services to Navajo senior citizens.

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

OLC No. 16-542-1

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12	FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION	
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16	BE IT ENACTED:	
17	Section One. Authority	
18	A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C.	
19	§ 102 (A).	
20	B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review	
21	all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2	
22	N.N.C. §164(A)(9).	
23	C. The Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to	
24	review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting, appropriation,	
25	investment, and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B) (2).	
26	D. The Health Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation	
27	Council is empowered to exercise legislative oversight on matters involving health,	
28	social service, education, general governmental services and human services and to	
29	review and recommend resolutions relating to social services, health, environmental	
30	health and education. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400 (C)(1) and 401 (B)(6)(a).	

Section Two. Findings

A. On May 30, 2014, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council adopted Resolution No. CMY-28-14 accepting a settlement of the Navajo Nation's lawsuit, *Navajo Nation v. United States*, No. 06-945L (United States Court of Federal Claims) against the United States for its historical mismanagement of the tribe's trust assets and its failure to ensure that the Navajo Nation received all funds due and owed under the United States' trust obligations and fiduciary duties. Resolution No. CMY-28-14 was signed into law by the President of the Navajo Nation on June 4, 2014.

- B. The 22nd Navajo Nation Council recognized that during the many decades that the United States was in breach of its trust obligations and fiduciary duties to the Nation, the tribal government was without funds to develop the comprehensive nation-wide infrastructures necessary to support and promote community growth and sustainability through the expansion of economic development, as well as to provide the educational opportunities, critical for the prosperity of current and future generations of Diné. See Resolution No. CMY-28-14.
- C. Between October 6, 2014 and November 8, 2014 the Office of the Speaker held seven (7) Public Hearings, as directed by the Navajo Nation Council's Naabik'iyati'
  Committee on July 10, 2014, to receive input from Navajo Nation members on how the net proceeds from *Navajo Nation v. United States*' should be used. During that same time period, the Office of the President & Vice-President also held five (5) town hall meetings for a similar purpose.
- D. On December 13, 2014, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council adopted Resolution No.
   CD-68-14 enacting the Navajo Nation Breach of Trust Settlement Act of 2014 (hereinafter "2014 Act") and establishing the Navajo Nation Síhasin Fund at 12 N.N.C. § 2501 et seq. The President of the Navajo Nation signed Resolution No.
   CD-68-14 into law on December 31, 2014.
- E. The 2014 Act mandated that the net proceeds and earnings thereon received by the Navajo Nation from the settlement of *Navajo Nation v. United States*, No. 06-945L, and that, when duly designated, the net proceeds of settlements or judgement

awards of other litigation(s) brought against the United States concerning its failure to ensure that the Navajo Nation received all funds due and owing under the United States' trust obligations and fiduciary duties, be deposited into the Síhasin Fund and managed and invested to provide financial support and/or financing for (1) the planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation; and/or (2) education opportunities for members of the Navajo Nation. See 12 N.N.C § 2501 and § 2502 (A).

- F. The 2014 Act also established that "leveraging of the [Síhasin] Fund by way of guaranteeing loans, match funding, direct funding in part and other weighted uses of the Fund shall be favored over direct funding in whole". 12 N.N.C § 2502 (B).
- G. The 2014 Act further established that with the exception of outstanding and accrued litigation costs, Síhasin Fund Principal and Income shall only be expended pursuant to a Fund Expenditure Plan consistent with the purposes set forth in the 2014 Act at 12 N.N.C. §2502 and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council. See 12 N.N.C. § 2505 (A).
- H. The 2014 Act states that "Fund Principal" shall consist of all deposits made to the Síhasin Fund and that "Fund Income" shall consist of all earnings (interest, dividends, etc.) generated and realized by the Fund Principal and that Fund Income shall be deposited in and added to Fund Principal until such time as a Fund Expenditure Plan is duly adopted. See 12 N.N.C. §§ 2504 and 2505 (c).
- I. The Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the Síhasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One Cents (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75).
- J. On April 9, 2015, the Naabik'íyáti' Committee adopted NABIAP-20-15 establishing the Naabik'íyáti' Síhasin Fund Subcommittee to "review and evaluate the Public Hearing comments and recommendations from the Navajo People" and "recommend to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council financial

support and/or financing plan(s) for the purposes designated in CD-68-14 [Navajo Nation Breach of Trust Settlement Act of 2014, establishing the Síhasin Fund]".

K. Between April 2015 and December 2016, the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee, assisted by the Office of Legislative Services, Office of the Speaker, and Office of Legislative Counsel, met on at least twenty-five (25) occasions in either work sessions or official meetings to review and evaluate the Public Hearing comments and recommendations from the Navajo People; hear proposals from Navajo Nation entities, chapters, programs and officials; and develop an expenditure plan(s) for the Síhasin Fund Principal and Income consistent with the purposes set forth in the 2014 Act.

L. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee determined that for an expenditure plan to fully meet the leveraging criteria of the 2014 Act, the expenditure plan shall not rely on Síhasin Funds for full direct project funding, unless such funds are to be repaid under a loan agreement, and instead must utilize the Síhasin Funds for (1) match funding, joint funding, contribution funding, cost-share funding or similar weighted uses of the funds; (2) reimbursement funding; and/or (3) loan or bond financing or guarantee.

M. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee also determined that the 2014 Act allowed for the adoption of multiple expenditure plans and that it would be prudent for the Navajo Nation to adopt integrated, yet distinct, expenditure plans for regional-level infrastructure planning and development in four broad infrastructure areas or categories consistent with the purposes of the 2014 Act: Water and Natural Resource Infrastructure Development; Economic Development; Community Development; and Housing Development.

N. After reviewing the comments submitted during the Public Hearings and town hall meetings, as well as the reports and comments made during the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee meetings, the Subcommittee determined that the Navajo people were supportive of community development allocations for human services, including but not limited to support for Senior Citizens.

O. In addition, the Eastern Navajo Council on Aging , representing twenty (20) chapters, as well as the Toadlena/Two Grey Hills and Pine Dale Chapters, adopted resolutions, attached as Exhibit A, supporting the allocation of Síhasin Funds for projects and services for Senior Citizens.

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- P. In 1986, the Navajo Nation established the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizen Services, 12 N.N.C. §§ 1121-1128, wherein "95% of the Fund income shall be used as Navajo Nation grants to supplement Navajo Nation government and non-Navajo Nation government programs and projects that provide services to Navajo senior (elderly) citizens." 12 N.N.C. § 1125(A).
- Q. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee has determined that Síhasin Funds could lawfully be added to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizen Services if the interest earnings (Fund income) derived from the added Síhasin Funds were segregated and only expended for (a) projects that meet the requirements of the Síhasin Fund purposes, i.e., the planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation; and (b) projects that leverage Síhasin Funds with other funds, such as, but not limited to, federal and state funding for Senior Citizens, Medicaid and Medicare, private insurance, Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizen Services non-Síhasin Fund-derived income, etc.
- R. Per its mission statement, "the Navajo Area Agency on Aging (NAAA) ensures that elders living on the Navajo Nation receive all available benefits and services to which they are entitled, and that these services are provided in a manner which preserves their dignity, self-respect and cultural identity." <u>www.naaa.navajo-nsn.gov</u>.
- S. The Navajo Area Agency on Aging was established pursuant to the federal Older Americans Act which intends that the area agency on aging shall be the leader relative to all aging issues on behalf of all older persons in the planning and service area. This means that the area agency shall proactively carry out a wide range of functions related to advocacy, planning, coordination, inter-agency linkages, information sharing, brokering, monitoring and evaluation, designed to lead to the

development or enhancement of comprehensive and coordinated community based systems in, or serving, each community in the planning and service area. These systems shall be designed to assist older persons in leading independent, meaningful and dignified lives in their own homes and communities as long as possible. 45 CFR 1321.53, *see* also <u>www.naaa.navajo-nsn.gov</u>.

T. Given its mission, the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee determined that the Navajo Area Agency on Aging, within the Navajo Nation Department of Health has the expertise to recommend and administer the expenditure of Síhasin Funds for the benefit of Senior Citizens consistent with the purposes and leveraging requirements set forth in 12 N.N.C. § 2502 pursuant to an annual plan adopted by the Health Education and Human Services Committee.

- U. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee has also determined that allocating and adding ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) of Síhasin Funds to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services for the purposes of the planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and community development, including housing, *specifically for Senior Citizens* within the Navajo Nation is within the purposes of the 2014 Act.
- V. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee additionally determined that it was in the best long-term interest of the Navajo Nation and the Navajo people to provide financial support for Senior Citizens and recommends to the Navajo Nation Standing Committees and the Navajo Nation Council that ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) of Síhasin Funds be allocated for and added to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services as the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan, as set forth in sections Three and Four below, under section 2505 of the 2014 Act.
- W. After considering the recommendations of the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee, the Navajo Nation Council hereby determines that the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan fits within the priorities established under the July 20, 2015 <u>One</u> <u>Nation, One Voice</u> Navajo Nation Three Branch Agreement and that it is in the best interests of Navajo elders and their families, as well as in the best interests of

economic and community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation to fund the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan, as set forth in sections Three and Four below.

## Section Three. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan wherein ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) of Síhasin Funds will be transferred to and deposited in the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services during Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2017.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts that each year 95% of the Fund income attributable to the Síhasin Funds deposited in the Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall be used as Navajo Nation grants to supplement Navajo Nation government and non-Navajo Nation government projects that provide services to Navajo Senior Citizens specifically for the purpose of planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation.
- C. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts that interest earnings or income attributable to the Síhasin Funds deposited in the Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall be leveraged by way of match funding, direct funding in part and/or other weighted or supplemental uses and shall be not used as direct funding in whole for any project.
  - D. The Síhasin Funds allocated for the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan may be further leveraged by bond or loan financing pursuant to the Navajo Nation Bond Financing Act, 12 N.N.C. § 1300 et seq., as amended, using other Síhasin Fund Earnings for repayment and financing costs upon the recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee and approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council.

## Section Four. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan Administration

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves administration of the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan as follows:
  - The Navajo Nation Controller shall determine whether the source of the allocated ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) will be Síhasin Fund Principal or Income or a combination of both;
- 2. The Síhasin Fund transferred to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall be invested and managed consistent with the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services statute, 12 N.N.C. §§ 1121-1128, but the interest earnings or income from such Síhasin Funds shall be segregated and may only be expended for projects that meet *all* the requirements of 12 N.N.C. § 2502.
- 3. The interest earnings or income from Síhasin Funds in the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall only be expended pursuant to an annual plan developed and recommended by the Navajo Area on Agency, within the Navajo Nation Department of Health and adopted by the Health Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.
  - 4. The Navajo Area Agency on Aging shall account for and be held accountable for the expenditure of interest earnings and income attributable to the Síhasin Funds with such expenditures audited on an annual basis by either an independent auditor or the Office of the Auditor General with such audit report submitted to the Health Education and Human Services Committee, Naabik'íyáti' Committee, Office of the Controller, and Office of the President and Vice-President.

B. The Navajo Area Agency on Aging shall report the status of all projects funded by interest earnings and income attributable to the Síhasin Funds to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and Office of the President and Vice-President on a quarterly basis.

Section Five. Effective Date

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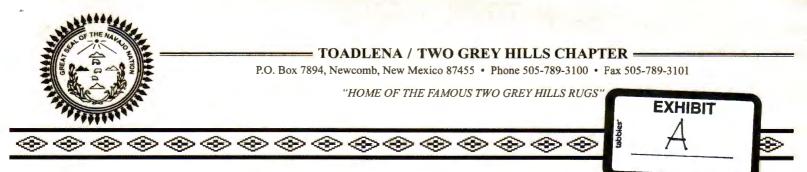
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The Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan, as set forth above, shall become effective pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2505.

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2	Section Six. Directives
3	A. All Navajo Nation programs, specifically including, but not limited to, the Navajo
4	Area Agency on Aging, Navajo Nation Department of Health, Office of Controller,
5	and Office of Management & Budget, shall take all steps necessary to expeditiously
6	implement the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan consistent with the
7	provisions set forth above.
8	B. Navajo Nation programs named in this legislation shall be held accountable for the
9	progress of tasks under their responsibility and control and shall report on a semi-
10	annual basis to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee on the progress of their respective
11	tasks.
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## RESOLUTION TDLA/TGH-16-05-18-12

## SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO NATION SENIOR CITIZEN TRUST FUND

## WHEREAS:

- Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter is a certified Chapter that is recognized by the Navajo Nation Council pursuant to 26 N.N.C. Section 3 and pursuant to 11 N.N.C. Part 1 Section 10, the Navajo Nation Council adopted the Navajo Nation Local Government Act which directs local Chapters to promote all matters that affect he local community members and to make appropriate decisions, recommendations, and advocate on their behalf; AND
- 2. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** finds on December 29, 2006 the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the federal government for its mismanagement of tribal trust fund assets and resources dating back as early as 1946; AND
- The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter finds on May 30, 2014 the 22nd Navajo Nation Council formally accepts the settlement offer of \$554 Million by adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the President on June 4, 2014; AND
- 4. The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invest to best serve the needs of the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelming requested allocations in the area of Capital Improvement, Infrastructure/Roads, Education and Human Services; AND
- 5. The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter finds The Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the Sihasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven Million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One Cents (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75); AND





Lolita Spencer Secretary / Treasurer



**Derry Lewis** Grazing Officer





- 6. The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter recognizes any use or allocation of the funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council; AND
- 7. The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter respectful request the Navaio Nation Council to allocate Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter, hereby supports the allocation to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments.
- 2. The **Toadlena**/Two Grey Hills Chapter values and cherished our Senior Citizens. Our grandmothers and Grandfathers are National Treasures who deserve the respect and honor of receiving quality of life enhancements.

### CERTIFICATION

We here by certify that this forgoing resolution was duly considered by the Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter Membership at a duly called meeting in Two Grey Hills. New Mexico (Navajo Nation) at which a guorum was present and that an approval was passed with a vote of 23 in Favor, O Opposed and Abstained on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May. 2016

tatrick Motion by:

Stanley Hardy, President

Lolita Spencer, Secretary-Treasurer

Crotty, Council Delegate Amber K

Seconded by

Andrew Deschenie, Vice-President

Derry Lewis, Grazing

**RESOLUTION OF THE PINE DALE CHAPTER** 

PDC-06-16-040

#### IN SUPPORT OF AND REQUESTING THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS FROM SISHSIN FUNDS TO THE NAVAJO CITIZEN TRUST FUND FOR MUCH NEEDED INTENTIONS

#### WHEREAS;

- 1. The Pine Dale Chapter is one of the 110 Navajo Nation Chapters officially given certain powers to address community needs; and
- The Pine Dale has been following the Navajo Nation Court Activities with the United States Government U.S. Court of Claims seeking monetary damaging settlement during late December, 2008, re: mismanaging of Tribal Trust Fund since about 1946 as records indicated; and
- After constant Navajo Nation involvement with U.S. Claims Courts, the courts awarded the Navajo Nation \$554 million in May 2014, for damages in mismanagement claims of Tribal Trust Funds Settlement; and
- 4. the Navajo Nation Council Speaker conducted public hearing after the acceptance of the monetary award, outcome of the Speaker's Public Hearing is pre Navajo people, fitting for improvements of Infrastructures/Roads, Education and Human Services; and
- 5. After certain payments of the \$554 million, with the balance of \$487,841.91 supplement by interest earnings of \$458,431.75, total amount rests with the Navajo Nation Council to allocate funds as time allows; and
- 6. The Pine Dale's awareness of the avenues towards the awarded funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council for allocation or used of funds; and

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE;

- 1. In support the Pine Dale Community and o behalf Eastern Navajo Agency Senior Citizens in respectfully requesting the Navajo Nation Council to allocate (earmark) Ten Million Dollars to Navajo Nation Trust Fund Account that will purchase Hearing Aids, dentures, accessibilities ramps and other needs for Navajo Nation Seniors Citizens; and
- 2. Further; the Pine Dale Chapter believes this important funding action will be in correct approach to phase in fit into the new development of Department of Navajo Health, under the Navajo Area Agency on Aging (NAAA) Activities;; and

#### CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certify that this foregoing resolution was duly discussed at a duly chapter meeting, with a quorum present, the same was passed by a vote of 2/ in favor and 2 opposed, 4 abstained, this 24th day of June, 2016, at Pine Dale, New Mexico.

21h Raphael Martin, Vice-President Willie Norton, President Sarah B. Jackson, Secretary

#### **RESOLUTION OF EASTERN NAVAJO COUNCIL ON AGING**

## IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE NAVAJO COUNCIL ON AGING SEEKING TRUST FUND ESTABLISHMENTS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO NAVAJOS ON NAVAJO NATION IN NEED

#### WHEREAS:

- The Eastern Navajo Agency Council on Aging representing 20 of 31 chapters, whom operated local Senior Citizen Centers giving elder services in Eastern Navajo Communities, receiving funds from the New Mexico State Funds, Navajo Nation funds with getting funds for Foster Grand Parent Program;
- ENA-COA is in much need for funds to cover multiple needs for the Agency Seniors, and with the high numbers of our Agency youth needing many services, hindrance boils down to lacking funds; and

3. The ENA-COA highly supports the current plans of identified items to stand up trust funds for the Senior Citizens, Youth Enrichment and Handicap people and Individuals in need; and

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, RESOLVE;

- The Eastern Navajo Agency on Aging Council on Aging hereby fully Supports the requesting Navajo Nation Council to create Trust Funds for Senior Citizens, Youth Enrichments and Handicap as Resolution approved by the Navajo Council on Aging, NAAA, under the Department of Health in means to help ease the life's of whose in need; and
- 2. ENA-SOC, further, supports the Pine Dale Chapter Resolutions supporting the three (3) Trust Funds establishments, again, expressing the needs for funds for such projects lacking funds; and

## CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certify that this foregoing resolution was duly discussed at a duly called ENA Council on Aging Meeting at WhiteHorse Lake Senior Citizen Center, with a quorum present, this resolution of Support was passed by vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, one abstained, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, at WhiteHorse Lake, New Mexico,

Larry Mustache, President Eastern Navajo Agency Council on Aging

Motioned by: Emerson Nez, Baca Senior Citizen Center 2<sup>nd</sup> by : Marjorie Brown, Thoreau Senior Citizen Center Office of Legislative Counsel Telephone: (928) 871-7166 Fax # (928) 871-7576



Honorable LoRenzo Bates Speaker 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Hon. Amber Crotty 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

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FROM:

Levon B. Henry, Chief Legislative-Counsel Office of Legislative Counsel

**DATE:** January 9, 2017

SUBJECT: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ADOPTING THE SÍHASIN FUND SENIOR CITIZENS EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO CD-68-14 AND 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

Pursuant to your request, attached is the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet. Based on existing law, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with all legislation, it is subject to review by the courts in the event of a challenge.

The Office of Legislative Council confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) reviews 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 review the proposed resolution to ensure it is drafted to your satisfaction. If this proposed resolution is acceptable to you, please sign it where it indicates "Prime Sponsor", and submit it to the Office of Legislative Services for the assignment of a tracking number and referral to the Speaker.

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, or if you have further questions, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of changes you would like made to the proposed resolution. You may contact me at (928) 871-7166. Thank you.

## THE NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATIVE BRANCH INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: \_0020-16\_\_

SPONSOR: Amber Crotty

<u>TITLE: An Action Relating To Health, Education And Human Services, Budget</u> <u>And Finance And NAABIK'IYATI' Committees And Navajo Nation</u> <u>Council; Adopting The Sihasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan</u> <u>Pursuant To CD-68-14 And 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 - 2508</u>

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1<sup>st</sup> Report

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**Digital Comments received:** 

Comments Supporting	None
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Inclusive Comments	None

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Comments Supporting	1. NNAC-32-061816 (Northern Navajo Agency Council Resolution)
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	None
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## NORTHERN NAVAJO AGENCY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

NNAC-32-061816

## SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$100,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO NATION SENIOR CITIZEN TRUST FUND

## WHEREAS:

- 1. The Northern Navajo Agency Council is a recognized political subdivision of the Navajo Nation and has the authority to advocate and make appropriate recommendations on behalf of the 20 Northern Navajo Agency Chapters to the Navajo Nation Government, Federal, State, and local entities for appropriate action: and
- 2. The Northern Agency finds on December 29, 2006 the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the federal government for its mismanagement of tribal trust fund assets and resources dating back as early as 1946; and
- 3. The Northern Agency finds on May 30, 2014 the 22nd Navajo Nation Council formally accepts the settlement offer of \$554 Million by adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the President on June 4, 2014; and
- 4. The Northern Agency finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invest to best serve the needs of the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelming requested allocations in the area of Capital Improvement, Infrastructure/Roads, Education and Human Services; and
- 5. The Northern Agency finds The Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the Sihasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven Million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One Cents (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75); and
- 6. The Northern Agency recognizes any use or allocation of the funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council; and
- The Northern Agency respectful request the Navajo Nation Council to allocate One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Northern Agency, hereby supports the allocation to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments.
- The Northern Agency values and cherished our Senior Citizens. Our grandmothers and Grandfathers are National Treasures who deserve the respect and honor of receiving quality of life enhancements.

#### CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the members of the Northern Navajo Agency Council at a duly called meeting at Whitehorse High School, Aneth, Utah, Navajo Nation, Utah at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of <u>43</u> in favor, <u>00</u> opposed, and <u>01</u> abstained this <u>18th day of June 2016</u>.

Motioned by: <u>James Benally</u>

David John, Chairperson Northern Navajo Agency Council

Seconded by: <u>Sally Ann Joe</u>

## THE NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATIVE BRANCH INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW SUMMARY

#### LEGISLATION NO.: 0020-17

## SPONSOR: Honorable Amber K. Crotty

<u>TITLE: : An Action Relating To Health, Education And Human Services, Budget</u> <u>And Finance And NAABIK'IYATI' Committees And Navajo Nation Council;</u> <u>Adopting The Sihasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan Pursuant To CD-68-</u> <u>14 And 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 – 2508</u>

Posted: January 10, 2017 at 5:12 PM

#### 5 DAY Comment Period Ended: January 15, 2017

**Digital Comments received:** 

Comments Supporting (3)	1. Tołikan Chapter Resolution No. TC-046 – 05/12/2017	
	2. Red Mesa Senior Center	
	3. Aneth Senior Center	
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	None	
Inclusive Comments	None	

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# Tółikan Chapter

P. O. Box 105 • TeecNosPos, Arizona 86514

## Resolution # TC-046 - 05/12/2017

## SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE 23<sup>RD</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO NATION SENIOR CITIZEN'S TRUST FUND.

## WHEREAS:

- The ToŁikan Chapter is officially recognized as a Local Governance Act certified chapter of the Navajo Nation pursuant to 26 Navajo Nation Code Section 103 to exercise authorities to review all matter affecting the community and make appropriate recommendation to the Navajo Nation, Federal, State and Local agencies as to who may have the responsibility for consideration and approving such actions; and
- The ToŁikan Chapter held their regular chapter meeting May 12, 2017 when the chapter officials and membership discussed and approved to support the recommendation to the Navajo Nation Council to allocate ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) from the Sihasin Fund to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen's Trust Fund; and
- 1. The ToŁikan Chapter Government is cognizant of its duties, responsibilities, obligations to the health, safety and well-being of its community and as stated in the Navajo Nation Code; and
- 2. The Tolikan Chapter finds on December 29, 2006 the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the Federal Government for its mismanagement of tribal trust fund assets and resources dating back as early as 1946; and
- The Tolikan Chapter finds on May 30, 2014 the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council formally accepted the settlement offer of \$554 million by adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the President on June 4, 2014; and
- 4. The Tolikan Chapter finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invested to best serve the needs of Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelming requested allocations in the area of Capital Improvement Infrastructure/Roads, Education and Human Services; and
- 5. The Tolikan Chapter finds the Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the Sihasin Fund Principal is four hundred eighty seven million nine hundred ninety thousand eight hundred forty one dollars and ninety one cents (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of four hundred fifty eight thousand four hundred thirty one dollars and seventy five cents (\$458,431.75); and
- 6. The Tolikan Chapter recognizes any use or allocation of the funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council; and
- The Tolikan Chapter respectfully requests the Navajo Nation Council to allocate ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLED:

The ToŁikan Chapter respectfully submits this resolution supporting the allocation to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund to assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments The Tolikan Chapter values and cherish our senior citizens. Our grandmothers and grandfathers are national treasures who deserve the respect and honor of receiving quality life enhancements.

#### CERTIFICAITION

ToŁikan Chapter hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was considered by the ToŁikan Chapter (Navajo Nation) at a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present and was motioned by Irene Begay, seconded by Woody Lee and that same was passed by a vote of 18 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017.

Lena Clark, President

Louise Scott, Secretary/Treasurer

Lovena Lee, Vice President

Davis Filfred, Council Delegate



## RESOLUTION

## SUPPORTING ANS RECOMMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$100,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO NATION SENIOR CITIZEN TRUST FUND

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. Red Mesa Senior Center Local Advisory Council is a recognized subdivision of the Navajo Nation and has the authority to advocate and make appropriate recommendations on behalf of the local elderly population in and around Red Mesa, Mexican Water, Montezuma Creek communities: and
- 2. The Northern Agency finds on December 29, 2016, the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the I.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the Federal Government for its mismanagement of Tribal Trust Fund assets and resources dating as early as 1946; and
- The Northern Agency find on May 30, 2014 the 22nd Navajo Nation Council formally accepts the settlement offer of \$554 Million Dollars adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the Navajo Nation President on June 4, 2014; and
- 4. The Northern Agency finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invest to best serve the needs of the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelming requests allocations in the area of Capital Improvement, Infrastructure, Education and Human Services; and
- 5. The Northern Agency finds the Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount if the Sihasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven Million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One cents (\$487,990,841.91), with interest warnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75); and
- 6. The Northern Agency recognized any use or allocation of the funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council; and
- 7. The Northern Agency respectfully requests The Navajo Nation Council to allocate One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assists with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures,

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Red Mesa Senior Center hereby supports the allocation to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments. 2. The Northern Agency values and cherishes our Senior Citizens. Our grandmothers and grandfathers are National Treasures who deserves the respect and honor of receiving quality of life enhancements.

## **CERTIFICATION**

We hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was duly considered by the members of the Northern Agency Council at a duly called meeting at Red Mesa Senior Citizens Center, Red Mesa, Arizona, Navajo nation at which a quorum was present and that the resolution was passed by a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstained this 12 day of May, 2017.

Motioned by: <u>Doris Tsinnijinnie</u> Seconded by: <u>Evere 74 Thomas</u>

Bernice Lefthand Red Mesa LSA President

ian Thomas, Red Mesa LSA Secretary

Larry Sam, Red Mesa LSA Vice-President

**Charlotte Lee, Senior Center Supervisor** 



RED MESA SENIOR CENTER ~ Navajo Area Agency on Aging ~ PO BOX 594 • Montezuma Creek, UT 84534 • (928) 656-3690 • (928) 656-3691 Fax



#### RESOLUTION

## SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$100,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO NATION SENIOR CITIZEN TRUST FUND

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. Aneth Senior Center Local Advisory Council is a recognized subdivision of the Navajo Nation and had the authority to advocate and make appropriate recommendations on behalf of the local elderly population in and around Aneth Community; and
- 2. The Northern Agency finds on December 29, 20116 the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the Federal Government for its mismanagement of Tribal Trust Fund assets and resources dating back as early as 1946; and
- 3. The Northern Agency finds on May 30, 2014 the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council formally accepts the settlement offer of \$554 Million by adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the President on June 4, 2014; and
- 4. The Northern Agency finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invest to best serve the needs of the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelming requested allocations in the area of Capital Improvement, Infrastructure/Roads, Education and Human Services; and
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- 7. The Northern Agency respectfully requests The Navajo Nation Council to allocate One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assists with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVES THAT:

1. The Northern Agency hereby supports the allocation to the Navajo Nation Senior Citizen Trust Fund assist with the purchase of hearing aids, dentures, accessibility ramps and instruments. 2. The Northern Agency values and cherishes our Senior Citizens; our grandmothers and grandfathers are National Treasures who deserve the respect and honor of receiving quality of life enhancements.

#### CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considers the members of the Northern Agency Council at a duly called meeting at Aneth Senior Citizen Center, Aneth, Utah, Navajo Nation, Utah at which a quorum was present and that the resolution was passed by a vote of <u>5</u> in favor, <u>0</u> opposed, and <u>0</u> abstained this <u>9th</u> day of May, 2017.

Motioned by: <u>Virginia Etsitty</u> Seconded By: <u>Annie Vigil</u>

Joe Ben, Aneth LSA President

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Lydia Hadley, Aneth LSA Secretary

Loretta Mitchell, Aneth LSA Vice- President

Charlotte Lee, Aneth Senior Center Supervisor

#### Committee Report

THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL to who has been assigned;

#### LEGISLATION NO. 0020-17

AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'IYATI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ADOPTING THE SIHASIN FUND SENIOR CITIZENS EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO CD-68-14 AND 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 - 2508

Sponsor: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty

Has had under consideration and report the same with the recommendation that Legislation 0020-17 PASS with no amendment and no directive; And therefore referred the same to the **BUDGET AND FINANCE** COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan L. Hale, Chairperson Health, Education and Human Services Committee

Dated: January 17, 2017

Main Motion Motion by: Honorable Nathaniel Brown Seconded by: Honorable Peterson B. Yazzie Vote: 4 in favor; 0 Opposed and 1 Abstain;

Chairperson Not Voting

## 23<sup>nd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Third Year 2017

Mr. Speaker:

## The **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned

## NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL # 0020-17:

An Action Relating to Health Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabikiyati Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Adopting the Sihasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan Pursuant to CD-68-14 and 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501-2508 Sponsored by Amber K. Crotty, Council Delegate

has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that It Do NOT Pass with 1 amendment:

- 1. On Page 8, line(s) 12-16, strike the words "3. The interest carnings or income from Sihasin Fund in the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall only be expended pursuant; to an annual plan developed and recommended by the Navajo Area on Agency, within the Navajo Nation Department of Health and adopted the Health Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council."
- 2. On Page 8 line 21, strike Health Education Human Services Committee replace with Budget and Finance Committee

And therefore, referred to the NAABIKIYATI Committee

Respectfully submitted,

Seth A. Damon, Chairman

Adopted:

Legislative Advisor

Not Adopted slative Advisor

7 February 2017 The vote was **o** in favor **5** opposed

## 23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE REPORT Third Year 2017

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

#### NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATION #0020-17

An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Adopting the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan Pursuant to CD-68-14 and 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501-2508

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber K. Crotty

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

Respectfully Submitted, = geost

Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairman NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE

23 MARCH 2017

#### Amendment 1:

- Page 8, Lines 12-16, insert as Paragraph 3: <u>3. The interest earnings or income from Sihasin Funds in the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Senior Citizens Services shall only be expended pursuant to an annual plan developed and recommended by the Navajo Area on Aging, within the Navajo Nation Department of Health and adopted by the Health Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.
  </u>
- 2. Page 8, Line 21 insert the following language: "<u>Health, Education and Human Services Committee,</u> and"
- 3. Strike "Sihasin Fund Subcommittee" everywhere it occurs in the document and replace it with Navajo Nation Council.

4. Renumber or re-letter succeeding paragraphs or sections accordingly, if necessary; and 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.

Motioned by: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr. Seconded by: Honorable Jonathan Perry

Vote: 08 in Favor, 07 Opposed (Chairman Bates Voted to break tie)

#### MAIN MOTION:

Motioned by:Honorable Jonathan L. HaleSeconded by:Honorable Herman M. Daniels

Vote: 08 in Favor, 06 Opposed (Chairman Bates not voting)

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## 23nd Navajo Nation Council Naabik'iyati' Committee

DATE: March 23, 2017 Legislation <u>0020-17</u> (Main Motion) Motion: Jonathan Hale Second: Herman Daniels **ALL DELEGATES:** BY COMMITTEE: Nay Yea Nay Yea TOTAL BATES, LoRenzo BFC: V BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr. CHEE, Tom T. BEGAY, Norman M. DAMON, Seth 20 **BEGAYE**, Nelson JACK, Lee Sr. BENNETT, Benjamin L. SLIM, Tuchoney Jr. **BROWN**, Nathaniel 1 WITHERSPOON, Dwight 2 CHEE, Tom T. 15 TSOSIE, Leonard CROTTY, Amber K. **HEHSC:** V DAMON, Seth BEGAY, Norman M. V DANIELS, Herman **BEGAYE**, Nelson FILFRED, Davis BROWN, Nathaniel V HALE, Jonathan L. CROTTY, Amber K. 1-JACK, Lee Sr. HALE, Jonathan L. PERRY, Jonathan YAZZIE, Peterson V PETE, Leonard H. LOC: V BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr. PHELPS, Walter SHEPHERD, Alton Joe DANIELS, Herman SLIM, Tuchoney Jr. SMITH, Raymond Jr. 1 SMITH, Raymond Jr. TSO, Otto YAZZIE, Edmund TSO, Otto 160 200 TSOSIE, Leonard RDC: 4 WITHERSPOON, Dwight BENNETT, Benjamin L. YAZZIE, Edmund FILFRED, Davis 1/ **YAZZIE**, Peterson PERRY, Jonathan PETE, Leonard H. PHELPS, Walter SHEPHERD, Alton Joe SPEAKER: BATES, LoRenzo (Votes only in a tie)

#### **GRAND TOTAL**

**CERTIFICATION:** 

Honorable LoRenzo Bates Speaker

(6)

## 23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL COUNCIL REPORT Third Year 2017

The NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL to whom has been assigned:

#### NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATION #0020-17

An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Adopting the Síhasin Fund Senior Citizens Expenditure Plan Pursuant to CD-68-14 and 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501-2508

#### SPONSOR: Honorable Amber K. Crotty

Has had it under consideration and reports the same WAS TABLED UNTIL THERE IS A 2/3 QUORUM

Respectfully Submitted

Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

19 APRIL 2017

TABLING MOTION:

Motion to Table until where there is a 2/3 quroum

Motioned by: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale Seconded by: Honorable Norman M. Begay

Vote: 11 in Favor, 05 Opposed (Speaker Bates not voting)

#### MAIN MOTION:

Motioned by: Honorable Jonathan Perry Seconded by: Honorable Otto Tso

Vote: in Favor, Opposed

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## 23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL COUNCIL REPORT Third Year 2017

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## SPONSOR: Honorable Amber K. Crotty

Has had it under consideration and reports the same FAILED (Needed 16 In Favor Votes)

Respectfully Submitted,

Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

17 OCTOBER 2017

AMENDMENT #1:

On Page 7, Line 9, overstrike 2017 and replace with 2018

Motioned by: Honorable Walter Phelps Seconded by: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.

Vote: 22 in Favor, 00 Opposed (Speaker Bates not voting)

#### MAIN MOTION:

Motioned by: Honorable Jonathan Perry Seconded by: Honorable Otto Tso

Vote: 11 in Favor, 11 Opposed (Speaker Bates not voting) – FAILED – NEEDED 16 IN FAVOR VOTES

## NAVAJO NATION

RCS# 837

NNC Fall Session

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PASSED

Amd#1 to Amd#

MOT Phelps Reflect 2017 to 2018 SEC Smith

Yea : 22

Nay:0

Not Voting: 2

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