

RESOLUTION OF THE  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
of the 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year, 2022

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF WYNETTE ARVISO TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee was established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §§ 500(A).
- B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 500(C), the Resources and Development Committee shall exercise oversight authority over public utilities.
- C. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(9), Resources and Development Committee has the authority to grant final confirmation of appointments to enterprise boards.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to 21 N.N.C. § 2, the Navajo Nation established the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) as an enterprise.
- B. The NTUA is authorized to acquire, construct, operate and maintain utility systems throughout the Navajo Nation. See 21 N.N.C. § 1(B).
- C. The general purpose of NTUA is to operate, maintain and promote existing utility systems furnishing electric, gas, water, sewer utility services; generation, and telecommunications and information services for the benefit of residents of the Navajo Nation; including the establishment, ownership, operation and maintenance of electric generating, telecommunications and information services on or off the Navajo Reservation; and to provide utility generation, telecommunications and information services on a non-profit basis and at a reasonable cost to residents of the Navajo Nation consistent with the economical operations of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. § 5(A)(1)-(6).
- D. The NTUA Management Board shall have the delegated authority and responsibility for the management and operation of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. § 7 (1).

- E. The management board shall consist of seven (7) persons, all of whom shall be appointed by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council; whose authority to confirm appointments to enterprise boards has been delegated to the Resources and Development Committee. See 21 N.N.C. § 9 (A); See also 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B) (9).
- F. Members of the board shall be called directors, and shall have the following qualifications: (1) [f]our of the directors shall be members of the Navajo Nation who speak English with fluently and who have sufficient education and experience to qualify them for learning utility business practices and procedures and making sound judgments; (2) [f]our of the directors shall be persons having not less than 10 years' experience in business management of substantial character and at least two of such persons shall have had such experience in the management and operation of a utility business. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(B) (1) - (2).
- G. Vacancies in the management board may be filled for an unexpired term of the vacant office. See 21 N.N.C. § 9 (C) (2).
- H. Directors shall be eligible for reappointment. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(C) (1).
- I. RDGS-24-21 appointed Wynette Arviso to the NTUA Management Board for a term of three years that expired at the annual board meeting in October 2022. The appointing resolution RDGS-24-21 (without exhibits) is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- J. On July 22, 2022, Wynette Arviso was recommended to be reappointed by the NTUA Management Board resolution NTUA-27-22 which attached as **Exhibit B**.
- K. Wynette Arviso meets the qualifications listed under 21 N.N.C. § 9(B) (1) - (2). Wynette Arviso's resume and letter of interest are attached as **Exhibit C**.
- L. The reappointment of Wynette Arviso will be for a period of three years starting from October 2022 and will expire with the annual board meeting in October 2025. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(C) (2).

**SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT**

The Resources and Development Committee finds that Wynette Arviso meets the required qualifications to be reappointed as a director for the NTUA Management Board as set forth in 21 N.N.C. § 9 (B)(1)-(2), and hereby confirms the reappointment of Wynette Arviso for a term of three years, with the term expiring at the annual board meeting in October 2025.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, hereby, certify that the following resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, (Navajo Nation) Arizona, at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposed, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2022.



Rickie Nez, Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee  
Of the 24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Mark A. Freeland

Second: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.



RDCS-24-21

RESOLUTION OF THE  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council --- Third Year, 2021

AN ACTION

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REAPPOINTMENT OF WYNETTE ARVISO TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO TRIBAL  
UTILITY AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF  
THREE YEARS

BE IT ENACTED:

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- B. The NTUA is authorized to acquire, construct, operate and maintain utility systems throughout the Navajo Nation. See 21 N.N.C. § 1(B).
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services on a non-profit basis and at a reasonable cost to residents of the Navajo Nation consistent with the economical operations of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. § 5(A)(1)-(6).

- D. The NTUA Management Board shall have the delegated authority and responsibility for the management and operation of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. § 7 (1).
- E. The management board shall consist of seven (7) persons, all of whom shall be appointed by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council; whose authority to confirm appointments to enterprise boards has been delegated to the Resources and Development Committee. See 21 N.N.C. § 9 (A); See also 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B)(9).
- F. Members of the board shall be called directors, and shall have the following qualifications: (1) [f]our of the directors shall be members of the Navajo Nation who speak English with fluently and who have sufficient education and experience to qualify them for learning utility business practices and procedures and making sound judgments; (2) [f]our of the directors shall be persons having not less than 10 years' experience in business management of substantial character and at least two of such persons shall have had such experience in the management and operation of a utility business. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(B)(1)-(2).
- G. Vacancies in the management board may be filled for an unexpired term of the vacant office. See 21 N.N.C. § 9 (C)(2).
- H. Directors shall be eligible for reappointment. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(C)(1).
- I. RDCMY-50-17 appointed Wynette Arviso to the NTUA Management Board for a term of three years that expired at the annual board meeting in October 2019. The appointing resolution RDCMA-50-17 is attached as **Exhibit 1**.
- J. On September 19, 2019, Wynette Arviso was recommended to be reappointed by the NTUA Management Board resolution NTUA-33-19 which attached as **Exhibit 2**.
- K. Wynette Arviso meets the qualifications listed under 21 N.N.C. § 9(B)(1)-(2). Wynette Arviso's resume is attached as RDCMY-50-17 Exhibit C which is attached in **Exhibit 1**.

- L. The reappointment of Wynette Arviso will be for a period of three years starting from October 2019 and will expire with the annual board meeting in October 2022. See 21 N.N.C. § 9(C)(2).

**SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT**

The Resources and Development Committee finds that Wynette Arviso meets the required qualifications to be reappointed as a director for the NTUA Management Board as set forth in 21 N.N.C. § 9 (B)(1)-(2), and hereby confirms the reappointment of Wynette Arviso for a term of three years, with the term expiring at the annual board meeting in October 2022.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, hereby, certify that the following resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting held by a teleconference for which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor, and 0 opposed, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.



Rickie Nez, Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee  
of the 24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

Second: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

Chairperson Rickie Nez not voting.

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD  
OF THE NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY**

**NTUA-27-22**

**Recommending the Reappointment of Wynette Arviso to the  
Management Board of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority**

**WHEREAS:**

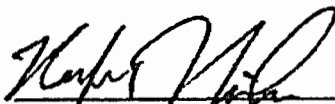
1. The Management Board of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA or Authority) has been advised that the term of Wynette Arviso will expire in October 2022; and
2. NTUA's Plan of Operation under 21 N.N.C. § 9 states that the Management Board shall consist of seven (7) persons serving staggered 3-year terms; and
3. The Plan of Operation provides for the reappointment of members and Wynette Arviso was previously selected by the Resources and Development Committee for his qualifications to be appointed to the NTUA Management Board; and
4. In view of the complexities of the utility industry and the challenges facing NTUA and to maintain continuity of experience and leadership on the Management Board, it is recommended that Wynette Arviso be reappointed to the NTUA Management Board.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Management Board of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority strongly recommends to the Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council that Wynette Arviso be reappointed as a member of the NTUA Management Board for a 3-year term, which shall commence at the annual meeting of the Management Board in October 2022.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered at a meeting of the Management Board of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority conducted by conference call at which a quorum was present and the same was duly approved by a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposing, and 1 abstaining this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2022.

  
Robert L. Silva, Secretary

Wynette R. Arviso  
Resume

### Expertise

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Leadership, engineering and technical advising and consulting in both public and private sectors.

Project management, site suitability analysis, land use planning, economic development studies, strategic planning, socioeconomic studies, infrastructure analysis, feasibility studies and environmental assessments.

Geographic Information Systems-Global Positioning System strategies, architectures and deployment.

Tribal coordination, regulatory compliance and working with diverse disciplines.

Public involvement and community outreach.

Fostering innovation, enhancing cooperation and incorporating cross-cultural skills.

### Education

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M.A.S. Geographic Information Systems, Arizona State University; Tempe, 2006

M.S. Industrial Engineering, University of Oklahoma; Norman, 1996

B.S. Petroleum Engineering, University of Oklahoma; Norman, 1986

### Experience

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*Co-Founder and Managing Partner, JJ Clacs & Company; Fort Wingate, New Mexico (1996-present):* lead and execute various projects to achieve client goals in planning, governance, organizational development, community outreach and Geographic Information Systems.

*Advanced Quality Engineer, 3M Corporation; Weatherford, Oklahoma (1995-1996):* worked closely with cross-functional teams to drive continuous process improvement, reducing operational inefficiencies, optimizing process control limits/capabilities; conducted plant Process Safety Management audits for a safer work environment.

*Technical Associate, Safety Engineering, AT&T; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (1994-1995):* coordinated safety and process improvement initiatives with teams from many departments; discovered and changed operational processes to make improvements and optimize according to control limits/capabilities; developed job safety guidelines and software programs to track safety reports resulting in better management and time savings.

*Gas Engineer, Navajo Tribal Utility Authority; Fort Defiance, Arizona (1986-1993):* managed and supervised the natural gas engineering department. Designed natural gas distribution system. Served as Project Engineer for natural gas system construction.

### Board Membership

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*Board Member, Navajo Tribal Utility Authority Management Board; Fort Defiance, Arizona (2015-present):* provide direction, leadership and oversight of the management and operation of the tribal enterprise to provide affordable, safe and reliable electric, water, wastewater, natural gas, solar energy, and communications services; enhance the standard of living; and, support the growth of communities.

*Board Member, Navajo Area Indian Health Service Health Board; Saint Michaels, Arizona (2014-17):* serve as consultant to the Office of the NAIHS Area Director and as an advocate for planning, development, operation, and evaluation of NAIHS programs through periodic review of reports by all affected federal and tribal agencies.

*Board Chair, Gallup Service Unit Health Advisory Board; Gallup, New Mexico (2013-2017):* serve as consultant to the Gallup Service Unit CEO on matters relating to local Indian health planning and policy issues; and as an advocate for increasing awareness of community health issues, encouraging healthy lifestyle, promoting sensitivity to Native cultures, and seeking new resources.



Wynette R. Arviso

July 22, 2022

Mr. Walter Haase, PE., General Manager  
P.O Box 170  
Fort Defiance, Arizona 86504

Dear Mr. Haase:

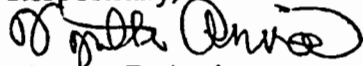
Please accept this letter and attached resume as my application for reappointment to the Management Board of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority.

On a day-to-day basis, the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority deals with complex issues and positive opportunities, and I am grateful for the privilege of serving on the Management Board. It would be an honor to continue serving my people and the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority.

I believe my cultural heritage, advanced education, and professional experience will allow me to be an effective board member.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Wynette R. Arviso



