

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2019

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'; RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO REINSTATE HOUSE BILL II FUNDING IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF SEVEN-HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND NINETEEN CENTS (\$785,335.19) FOR THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF AGING AND LONG TERM CARE SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

- A. The New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services department (NMALTS) provides "accessible, integrated services to older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers to assist them in maintaining their independence, dignity, autonomy, health, safety, and economic well-being, thereby empowering them to live on their own terms in their own communities as productively as possible." See, www.nmaging.state.nm.us.
- B. Through New Mexico House Bill II, the state of New Mexico appropriates annual funding to the Navajo Nation Division of Aging and Long Term Care Support Program. For fiscal years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, the total amount of \$785,335.19 allocated for the Navajo Nation Division of Aging and Long Term Care Support Program reverted to the state of New Mexico. See attached Exhibit "A." This amount is substantial, and it is severely impacting services to the elderly within the Navajo Nation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. The Navajo Nation urgently requests the state of New Mexico to reinstate funds reverting for fiscal years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. The Navajo Nation respectfully requests the assistance of Governor Michelle Lujan-Grisham and the Office of Indian Elder Affairs in restoring funding in the amount of \$785,335.19 for Navajo Nation Division of Aging and Long Term Care Services.

- B. The Navajo Nation seeks discussions in restoring funds and is available for consultation under the State-Tribal Collaboration Act.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 12 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 5th day of September 2019.


Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton
Second: Honorable Rickie Nez

Chairman Seth Damon not voting

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Naa'bik'iyati Committee Meeting

9/5/2019
06:09:24 PM

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MOT Charles-Newton
SEC Nez, R

Legislation 0254-19:
Respectfully Requesting the
State of New Mexico to
Reinstate House Bill II....

PASSED

Yea : 12

Nay : 0

Excused : 2

Not Voting : 8

Yea : 12

Begay, P
Brown
Charles-Newton

Freeland, M
Halona, P
Henio, J

Nez, R
Smith
Tso, C

Tso, O
Walker, T
Yellowhair

Nay : 0

Excused : 2

Begay, E

Tso, D

Not Voting : 8

Begay, K
Crotty

Daniels
James, V

Stewart, W
Tso, E

Wauneka, E
Yazzie

Presiding Chair: Damon