

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2023

AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE SPEAKER OF THE 25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE'S GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700(A).
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee, as a Standing Committee, has the authority to establish a subcommittee subject to the requirements of 2 N.N.C. § 186.
- C. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee through the adoption of Resolution No. NABIJY-37-19, incorporated herein as **Exhibit A**.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee established the Gaming Subcommittee to negotiate all related issues regarding the separate gaming compacts the Navajo Nation has with the State of Arizona and the State of New Mexico respectively and to address related issues to protect Navajo gaming. **Exhibit A** [Section Three (A)].
- B. Pursuant to NABIJY-37-19, the Gaming Subcommittee shall exist until it's assigned tasks are completed. **Exhibit A** [Section Five]. The Gaming Subcommittee tasks are not completed as there are still outstanding issues related to the State of Arizona and State of New Mexico gaming compacts.
- C. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee shall consist of three (3) members who represent Chapters located in the State of Arizona and three (3) members who represent Chapters located in the State of New Mexico and two (2) at-large members. The Navajo Nation Council Speaker shall appoint Delegates to serve on the subcommittee. The appointed Delegates serve at the pleasure of the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. **Exhibit A** [Section Three (C)].

SECTION THREE. APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION

A. The Speaker of the 25th Navajo Nation Council hereby appoints and the Naabik'íyáti' Committee hereby confirms the following Delegates to serve, at the pleasure of the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, on the Naabik'íyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee:

1. Hon. Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay from Arizona;
2. Hon. Council Delegate Otto Tso from Arizona;
3. Hon. Council Delegate Casey Allen Johnson from Arizona;
4. Hon. Council Delegate Steven R. Arviso from New Mexico;
5. Hon. Council Delegate Seth Damon from New Mexico;
6. Hon. Council Delegate Eugenia Charles-Newton from New Mexico;
7. Hon. Council Delegate Shaandiin Parrish (At-Large); and
8. Hon. Council Delegate Brenda Jesus (At-Large).

See Exhibit B.

SECTION FOUR. SUBCOMMITTEE TERM

The Naabik'íyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee shall exist until it's assigned tasks are completed and shall report its recommendations to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 186.

SECTION FIVE. DIRECTIVES

- A. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one policy analyst to assist the Naabik'íyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee.
- B. The Office of Legislative Service's Executive Director shall assign two Office of Legislative Services staff to assist the Naabik'íyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee.
- C. The Speaker shall determine a Subcommittee budget and identify the funds.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 25th 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 18 in Favor, and 03 Opposed, on this 25th day of May 2023.



Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Chairwoman
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

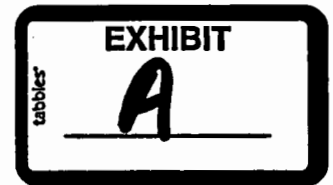
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Date

Motion: Honorable George H. Tolth
Second: Honorable Steven R. Arviso

Chairwoman Crystalyne Curley not voting

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



AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE'S GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE'S GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700.
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee, as a Standing Committee, has the authority to establish a subcommittee subject to the requirements of 2 N.N.C. §186.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council finds it to be in the best interest of the Navajo People to establish the Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee to represent the best interests of the Navajo Nation in all matters related to gaming on the Navajo Nation.

SECTION THREE. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE

- A. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee hereby establishes the Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee to negotiate the all related issues regarding the separate gaming compacts the Navajo Nation has with the State of Arizona and the State of New Mexico respectively and to address related issues to protect Navajo gaming.
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee shall:

1. Work in cooperation and in coordination with the Navajo Nation President, Attorney General, and the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise or the designees from these respective offices and entity; and
 2. Report monthly to the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council on the Subcommittee's activities; and
 3. Transfer information and recommendations to the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, appropriate Navajo Nation Standing Committees, and appropriate Legislative Branch boards, commissions, agencies and programs; and
 4. Submit to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee for review and approval any and all proposed amendments and/or compacts which are the result of such negotiation.
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee shall consist of three members who represent Chapters located in the State of Arizona and three members who represent Chapters located in the State of New Mexico and two (2) at-large members. The Navajo Nation Council Speaker shall appoint Delegates to serve on the subcommittee. The appointed Delegates serve at the pleasure of the Naabik'iyáti' Committee.

SECTION FOUR. APPOINTMENT

- A. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council hereby appoints and the Naabik'iyáti' Committee hereby approves the following Delegates to serve, at the pleasure of the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, on the Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee:
1. Honorable Paul Begay - Arizona;
 2. Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton - New Mexico;
 3. Honorable Pernell Halona - New Mexico;
 4. Honorable Otto Tso - Arizona;

5. Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr. - Arizona;
6. Honorable Jamie Henio - New Mexico;
7. Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair - At-Large;
8. Honorable Elmer P. Begay - At-Large.

See **Exhibit A.**

- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee may include members of the Executive Branch with the Navajo Nation President's recommended appointments serving on the Subcommittee, including but not limited to Navajo Gaming Regulatory Office and the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise.
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee by majority vote shall select a chairperson and vice-chairperson at their first meeting. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall serve at the Subcommittee's pleasure; replacement by majority vote.
- D. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee shall establish a regular meeting day(s) of the month and shall meet more frequently during tribal-state compact negotiations. Due to the economic importance of the compact negotiation work, Subcommittee members absent from two or more meetings may be replaced at the recommendation of the Chair of the Subcommittee.
- E. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee may retain a legal consultant through the Office of the Speaker to render legal advice regarding negotiations.

SECTION FIVE. SUBCOMMITTEE TERM

The Naabik'iyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee shall exist until it's assigned tasks are completed and shall report its recommendations to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 186.

SECTION SIX. DIRECTIVES

- A. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one policy analyst to assist the Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee.
- B. The Legislative Service's Executive Director shall assign two Office of Legislative Services staffers to assist the Naabik'iyáti' Committee's Gaming Subcommittee.
- C. The Speaker shall determine a Subcommittee budget and identify the funds.

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 13 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 11th day of July 2019.



Honorable Daniel E. Tso, Chairman Pro Tem
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Vince James
Second: Honorable Pernell Halona

Chairman Pro Tem Daniel E. Tso not voting



24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER

EXHIBIT


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HONORABLE SETH DAMON

Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Paul Begay, *Delegate (AZ)*
Honorable Eugenia Charles Newton, *Delegate (NM)*
Honorable Pernel Halona, *Delegate (NM)*
Honorable Otto Tso, *Delegate (AZ)*
Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr., *Delegate (AZ)*
Honorable Jamie Henjo, *Delegate (NM)*

FROM: 
Seth Damon, *Speaker*
24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

DATE: June 25, 2019

SUBJECT: Appointment to Naabik'iyáti' Committee Gaming Subcommittee

The memorandum serves as official notification that you are hereby appointed to the Gaming Subcommittee of the Navajo Nation Council Naabik'iyáti' Committee.

The purpose of the Subcommittee is to negotiate appropriate amendments to current gaming compacts in the States of Arizona and New Mexico.

With exciting new developments in the gaming industry, it is vital that you carry forth this important responsibility on behalf of the Navajo Nation.

Your Subcommittee position serves at the pleasure of the Naabik'iyáti' Committee.

Thank you for accepting this important responsibility.

If you have any questions, please contact Chief of Staff LaShawna Tso at (928) 871-7160 or lrts@navajo-nsn.gov.

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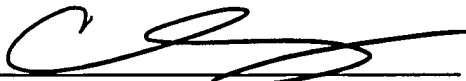
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25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL



MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable, Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay (AZ)
Honorable, Council Delegate Otto Tso (AZ)
Honorable, Council Delegate Casey Allen Johnson (AZ)
Honorable, Council Delegate Steven R. Arviso (NM)
Honorable, Council Delegate Norman M. Begay (NM)
Honorable, Council Delegate Eugenia Charles-Newton (NM)
Honorable, Council Delegate Shaandiin Parrish (At-Large)
Honorable, Council Delegate Brenda Jesus (At-Large)

From:


Crystalyne Curley, Speaker
25th Navajo Nation Council

Date: April 21, 2023

Subject: Appointment to Naabik'iyati' Committee Gaming Subcommittee

This memorandum shall serve as official Notification that you are hereby appointed to the Naabik'iyati' Gaming Subcommittee of the 25th Navajo Nation Council - Naabik'iyati' Committee.

The purpose of the subcommittee is to negotiate any proposed amendments to the current gaming compacts in the State of Arizona and New Mexico. The gaming industry continues to evolve and it is vital that you carry forth this important responsibility on behalf of the Navajo Nation. Your subcommittee position serves at the pleasure of the Naabik'iyati' Committee. Thank you in advance for accepting this important responsibility.

If you have any questions, please contact Chief of Staff, Manuel Rico, Jr. at (928) 871-7160 or at mrco@navajo-nsn.gov

Cc: Dana Bobroff, Chief Legislative Counsel
Manuel Rico, Jr., Chief of Staff
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Michele Cook, Acting OLS Executive Director

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Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Special Meeting

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New Business: Item B.

PASSED

MOT Tolth, G

Legislation 0092-23: Confirming

SEC Arviso, S

the Speaker of the 25th Navajo
Nation Council's Appointments...

Yeas : 18

Nays : 3

Excused : 1

Not Voting : 1

Yea : 18

Arviso, S

Claw, S

Johnson, C

Slater, C

Aseret, L

Damon, S

Nez, A

Tso, O

Begay, H

Daniels, H

Parrish, S

Yanito, C

Begay, N

James, V

Simpson, D

Yazzie, C

Charles-Newton, E

Jesus, B

Nay : 3

Tolth, G

Crotty, A

Nez, R

Excused : 1

Simonson, G

Not Voting : 1

Notah, N

Presiding Speaker: Curley, C