

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE

23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Fourth Year, 2018

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; APPROVING THE POSITION OF
THE NAVAJO NATION RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR
2019 IN THE STATE OF UTAH

WHEREAS:

- A. Statements of policy, enactment of positive law, intergovernmental agreements, budget resolutions, and reallocations, must be reviewed and approved by resolution by the appropriate standing committee(s) and the Navajo Nation Council except as otherwise provided herein. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A).
- B. Statements of policy are written statements submitted to federal, state or local governments by a Navajo Nation official stating the official position of the Navajo Nation on proposed legislation or other action by that government. See 2 N.N.C. § 110 (W).
- C. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered Naabik'íyáti' Committee to assist and coordinate all requests for information, appearances and testimony relating to proposed county, state and federal legislation impacting the Navajo Nation. See 2 N.N.C. §§ 700 (A), 701(A) (6).
- D. The 2019 Utah Legislative Priorities provides a list of topics addressed during the Naabik'íyáti' Committee's State Affairs Task Force Subcommittee meetings.
- E. The Navajo Nation's legislative priorities for the State of Utah are as follows:
 - 1. Education
 - a. Addressing the achievement gap for Utah's Native American students
 - b. A study on San Juan School District's student transportation system
 - c. Construction of a new Bluff Elementary School
 - 2. Transportation

Road conditions and commuter safety issues associated with SR 164 in Montezuma Creek and SR 163 in Monument Valley

3. Public Lands

Continuing support for Bears Ears National Monument

4. Utah Navajo Water Settlement

Continuing support for Senate Bill 664, the Navajo Utah Water Rights Settlement Act of 2017

5. Economic Development

Urging the Governor's Office of Economic Development to initiate and maintain collaboration and partnerships with the Navajo Division of Economic Development in exploring business developments and job creation in San Juan County

6. Tribal-State Consultation

- a. Based on the Governor's Executive Order on Tribal Consultation, urging the State to honor the government-to-government relationship and to apply tribal consultation uniformly across the spectrum of issues
- b. Supporting the designation of the Utah Division of Indian Affairs as a cabinet level entity with an adequate budget to support and carry-out tribal-state relations.

F. The Navajo Nation finds it in the best interest of the Navajo People to support the approval and adoption of the position of the Navajo Nation's legislative priorities regarding the State of Utah for 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Navajo Nation hereby approves the Navajo Nation's legislative priorities regarding the State of Utah for 2019 and authorizes the Navajo Nation President, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, and their designees, and the Naabik'iyáti' Committee to advocate the position of the Navajo Nation with the State of Utah Legislature, Utah State Agencies, and the State of Utah Governor's Office for the preservation of funding and policies in the Navajo Nation's priority areas.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 23rd 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 27th day of December 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LoRenzo C. Bates", with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motioned: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale
Second : Honorable Herman M. Daniels

Chairman LoRenzo C. Bates not voting

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NAVAJO NATION

Naa'bik'iyati Committee

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MOT Hale

Legislation 0392-18 Approving

SEC Daniels

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Not Voting : 11

Yea : 13

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