

The 24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL Office of the Speaker

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Council Accepts Parade Candy Legal Opinion

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Sept. 5, 2019 – A legal opinion was delivered to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council on Thursday, Sept. 5, 2019, that denies the applicability of President Jonathan Nez's ban on candy at the Navajo Nation Fair Parade.

The opinion, delivered by the Office of Legislative Counsel, states: "Candy can be distributed by the Council during the parade..."

The opinion states that the agreement for participation in the Navajo Nation Fair Parade on Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019 contains three specific provisions regarding the distribution of candies at the parade: no candy can be thrown from the floats; walkers must distribute giveaways at least 5 feet from the float; school supplies and fruits are recommended.

The opinion concludes by stating the memorandum from the Chief of the Executive Branch, President Nez, dated Aug. 5, 2019 is applicable to "all participants/entrees" of the Executive Branch.

The Navajo Nation Council encourages all participants of the Navajo Nation Fair Parade a safe and enjoyable 2019 Navajo Nation Fair.

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