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Media Advisory: Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty to provide testimony in support of congressional bill to secure funding for AMBER Alert systems

WASHINGTON D.C. – On Wednesday, May 10, Council Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty (Beclabito, Cove, Gadi'i'áhi/To'Koi, Red Valley, Tooh Haltsooi, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills, Tsé ałnáoz'ťl'í) will provide testimony on Capitol Hill before the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs in support of S. 772, the AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2017.

The congressional bill seeks to amend the PROTECT Act to make Indian tribes eligible for grants to implement "America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response Alert" systems, or AMBER Alert, on their nations. According to the bill, the U.S. Attorney General would determine when a tribe does not have sufficient funds available to comply with the federal share requirement for the cost of activities funded by a grant for the purpose of implementing an AMBER Alert system, and may increase the federal share of costs if it has been determined necessary.

The legislative hearing will be live-streamed and written witness testimony will be provided at <u>indian.senate.gov</u>.

WHAT: U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs legislative hearing for S. 772, the AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2017

WHO: Council Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty, a member of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council, will provide testimony in support of S. 772

WHERE: 628 Senate Dirksen Office Building, Washington D.C.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 beginning at 12:30 a.m. MDT, 2:30 p.m. EDT

QUESTIONS: Please e-mail the Office of the Speaker at nnlb.communications@gmail.com

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