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TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Approving a Mission Site Permit for Newcomb Baptist Church on Navajo Nation Trust Lands in the Vicinity of Newcomb Chapter, Navajo Nation

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking <u>No.0/99-21</u>

DATE: September 2, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPROVING A MISSION SITE PERMIT FOR NEWCOMB BAPTIST CHURCH ON NAVAJO NATION TRUST LANDS IN THE VICINITY OF NEWCOMB CHAPTER, NAVAJO NATION)

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to approve a mission site permit for Newcomb Baptist Church located in Newcomb Chapter.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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16	Section One. Authority
17	A. Pursuant to 16 N.N.C. Section 1151 (C), the Resources Development Committee of
18	the Navajo Nation Council has the authority to give approval for permits for mission
19	sites on behalf of the Navajo Nation.
20	B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. Section 501 (B)(2), the Resources Development Committee of
21	the Navajo Nation Council has the authority to give final approval for all land
22	withdrawals, nom-mineral leases, permits, licenses, rights-of-way, surface easements
23	and bonding requirements on Navajo Nation lands and unrestricted (fee) land. This
24	authority shall include subleases, modifications, assignments, leasehold
25	encumbrances, transfers, renewals, and terminations.
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27	Section Two. Findings
28	A. The Newcomb Baptist Church, P.O. Box 455, Window Rock, Arizona 86515 has
29	applied for a mission site permit within the Newcomb Chapter. The application is
30	attached as Exhibit G.
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B. The Terms and Conditions for the Mission Site Permit Newcomb Baptist Church is attached as **Exhibit A.**

- C. The proposed mission site is to be located on 1.5 acres, more or less, of trust lands within the vicinity of Newcomb Chapter, Navajo Nation (New Mexico). The land description appears on the survey plat attached hereto and incorporated as **Exhibit B**.
- D. The Newcomb Chapter Grazing Officer in a letter dated September 14, 2018, attached as
 Exhibit C, stated: "There is no grazing in the area, where the future Baptist Church, west of Newcomb Chapter, about 200 yards."
- E. The Newcomb Chapter Resolution No. NWCB-061015-090, attached as Exhibit D, states: "The Newcomb Chapter Membership hereby Approving the Newcomb Chapter's request to the Newcomb Christian Reform Church to surrender the Mission Site Lease and recommending transfer to the Newcomb Baptist Church."
- F. The signed petition by the local Newcomb Chapter residents in support of the Newcomb Baptist Church is attached as **Exhibit E.**
- G. The Biological Resources Compliance Form NNDRW Review No. 19NBC-01, the Cultural Resources Compliance Form HPD-19-058 (including the Navajo Nation Archaeology Department Site Survey and Management Form), the Environmental Assessment, Newcomb Baptist Church, September 2019 with appendix, are attached as Exhibit F.
- H. The Application for Mission Site (Religious Site) Navajo Nation Lands is attached as
 Exhibit G. It includes the Newcomb Baptist Church Navajo Nation Corporation Act
 Certificate of Incorporation.
 - I. The Sliding Fee Scale for Navajo Nation Mission Site Permits is attached as Exhibit
 H.
- J. The application for mission site permit has been reviewed through the Executive Official Review Document No. 015035, including the Department of Justice and the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency, and found "Sufficient" or "Approved." Executive Official Review Document No. 010595 is attached as Exhibit I.

Section Four. Approval

A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby approves the Mission Site Permit for Newcomb Baptist Church, subject to but not limited to the attached Terms and Conditions contained herein as **Exhibit A** and located on land described in **Exhibit B**, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

B. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby authorizes President of the Navajo Nation to execute all documents to affect the intent and purpose of this resolution.