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## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking No. <u>0223-22</u>

**DATE:** October 31, 2022

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF HALLE A. LIZER AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will reinstate Halle A. Lizer as a member of the Navajo Nation.

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

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Eligible for Ad	tion://-/5-22 Naabik'íyáti' Committe
1	PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION Navajo Nation Council
2	24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2022
3	Introduced by:
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5	J. Jaune
6	(Prime Sponsor)
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10	AN ACTION
11	RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES,
12	AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION
13	COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF
14	HALLE A. LIZER AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION
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16	BE IT ENACTED:
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18	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY
19	A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §102(A).
20	B. A proposed resolution that requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council shall be
21	assigned to standing committee(s) having authority over the subject matter at issue and the
22	Naabik'íyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(9).
23	C. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo
. 24	Nation Council and has legislative oversight over the Navajo Nation Office of Vital Records
25	and Identification. 2 N.N.C. §400(A), §401(C)(2), and §1665.
26	D. Navajo Nation law provides, "[r]enunciation of membership" provides that [a]ny enrolled
27	member of the Navajo Nation may renounce his [her] membership by written petition to the
28	President of the Navajo Nation requesting that his [her] name be stricken from the Navajo
29	Nation roll. Such person may be reinstated in the Navajo Nation only by the vote of majority
30	of the Navajo Nation Council. 1 N.N.C. §705.

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1	E. In addition, Navajo Law provides, "[n]o person, otherwise eligible for membership in the
2	Navajo Nation, may enroll as a member of the Navajo Nation, who, at the same time, is on
3	the roll of any other tribe of Indians." 1 N.N.C. §703.
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5	SECTION TWO. FINDINGS
6	A. Halle Ann Lizer submitted documentation to relinquish her membership from the Navajo
7	Nation on April 16, 2019, which was recorded by the Navajo Office of Vital Records and
8	Identification on September 3, 2019. EXHIBIT A.
9	B. Ms. Lizer relinquished her membership with the Navajo Nation to obtain membership with
0	the Comanche Nation, however never started the enrollment process with the Comanche
11	Nation. <b>EXHIBIT B.</b>
12	C. Ms. Lizer now requests reinstatement as a member of the Navajo Nation.
13	D. Ms. Lizer may only be reinstated by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council pursuant
14	to 1 N.N.C. §705.
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16	SECTION THREE. REINSTATEMENT OF SHANDIIN DEPUTEE
17	The Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms that Halle Ann Lizer is reinstated and re-enrolled
8	as a member of the Navajo Nation. Ms. Lizer shall hereafter be entitled to all rights, benefits,
19	and privileges associated with Navajo Nation membership.
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