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TITLE An Action Relating to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Eugene Tso's Delegate Region (Chapter: Chinle)

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking No. <u>0268-22</u>

DATE: December 20, 2022

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE NAVAJO NATION FISCAL RECOVERY FUND DELEGATE REGION PROJECT PLAN FOR HONORABLE EUGENE TSO'S DELEGATE REGION (CHAPTER: CHINLE)

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will enact Hon. Eugene Tso's Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Projects Plan (Chapter: Chinle)

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

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| 17 | BE IT ENACTED: | |
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| 19 | SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY | |
| 20 | A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. | |
| 21 | §102(A). | |
| 22 | B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council | |
| 23 | with the delegated responsibility to hear proposed resolution(s) that require final | |
| 24 | action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(9). | |
| 25 | C. Navajo Nation Council Resolution No. CJN-29-22, incorporated herein by reference, | |
| 26 | mandates that Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund ("NNFRF") Delegate Region | |
| 27 | Project Plans be approved by Navajo Nation Council resolution and signed into law | |
| 28 | by the President of the Navajo Nation pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A) and 2 N.N.C. | |
| 29 | §§ 1005 (C) (10), (11), and (12). | |
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- A. Navajo Nation Council Resolution No. CJN-29-22, AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL: ALLOCATING \$1,070,298,867 OF NAVAJO NATION FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS; APPROVING THE NAVAJO NATION FISCAL RECOVERY FUND EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR: CHAPTER AND REGIONAL PROJECTS; PUBLIC EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS, E911. AND RURAL SAFETY ADDRESSING PROJECTS; CYBER SECURITY; PUBLIC HEALTH PROJECTS; HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE; WATER AND WASTEWATER PROJECTS; BROADBAND PROJECTS; HOME ELECTRICITY CONNECTION AND **ELECTRIC** CAPACITY PROJECTS: HOUSING **PROJECTS** AND MANUFACTURED HOUSING FACILITIES; BATHROOM PROJECTS; CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY FUNDING; AND REDUCED ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING, was signed into law by the President of the Navajo Nation on July 15, 2022.
- B. CJN-29-22, Section Three, states, in part and among other things, that
 - 1. The Navajo Nation hereby approves total funding for the NNFRF Chapter and Chapter Projects Expenditure Plan from the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund in the total amount of two hundred eleven million two hundred fifty-six thousand one hundred forty-eight dollars (\$211,256,148) to be divided equally between the twenty-four (24) Delegate Regions in the amount of eight million eight hundred two thousand three hundred forty dollars (\$8,802,340) per Delegate Region . . . and allocated through Delegate Region Project Plans approved by Navajo Nation Council resolution and signed into law by the President of the Navajo Nation See CJN-29-22, Section Three (B).
 - 2. The Delegate Region Project Plan funding will be allocated to the Navajo Nation Central Government, specifically the Division of Community Development or other appropriate Navajo Nation Division or Department,

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- to implement the projects rather than directly to the Chapters. *See* CJN-29-22, Section Three (D).
- 3. The Navajo Nation Central Government, specifically the Division of Community Development or other appropriate Navajo Nation Division or Department, shall manage and administer funds and Delegate Region Project Plans on behalf of Non-LGA-Certified Chapters. The Navajo Nation Central Government may award funding to LGA-Certified Chapters through sub-recipient agreements to implement and manage specific projects, but shall maintain Administrative Oversight over such funding and Delegate Region Project Plans. See CJN-29-22, Section Three (E).
- 4. Each Navajo Nation Council delegate shall select Fiscal Recovery Fund eligible projects within their Delegate Region to be funded by the NNFRF Chapter and Regional Projects Expenditure Plan through a Delegate Region Projects Plan. The total cost of projects selected by each Delegate shall not exceed their Delegate Region distribution of eight million eight hundred two thousand three hundred forty dollars (\$8,802,340). See CJN-29-22, Section Three (F).
- 5. Each Delegate Region Project shall identify its Administrative Oversight entity and its Oversight Committee(s) and be subject CJY-41-21's NNDOJ initial eligibility determination. See CJN-29-22, Section Three (L)(5) and (L)(6).
- D. All projects listed in the Hon. Eugene Tso's Delegate Region Projects Plan, attached as **Exhibit A**, have been deemed Fiscal Recovery Fund eligible by NNDOJ. In addition, Hon. Eugene Tso's Delegate Region Projects Plan does *not* exceed the amount of \$8,802,340, as set forth in CJN-29-22, Section Three (F).
- E. The Navajo Nation Council hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation and the Hon. Eugene Tso's Delegate Region Chapters and communities to approve and adopt the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Hon. Eugene Tso's Delegate Region (Chapter: Chinle) as set forth in Exhibit A.

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| SECTION FOUR. | APPROVAL OF HON. EUGENE TSO'S DELEGATE REGION |
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| PROJECT PLAN | |

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves the Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Hon. Eugene Tso's Delegate Region (Chapter: Chinle) set forth in Exhibit A.
- B. The Delegate Region Project Plan approved herein shall comply with all applicable provisions of CJY-41-21, CJN-29-22, and BFS-31-21.
- C. Any inconsistencies between this legislation, the Delegate Region Project Plan, and the individual project appendix, shall be resolved in favor of the project appendix reviewed by Department of Justice during their eligibility determination(s).

SECTION FIVE. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this legislation or to the Delegate Region Project Plan approved herein shall only be adopted by resolution of the Navajo Nation Council and approval of the President of the Navajo Nation pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A)(17) and 2 N.N.C. §§ 1005 (C) (10), (11), and (12).

SECTION SIX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This legislation shall be effective upon its approval pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 221(B), 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A)(17), and 2 N.N.C. §§ 1005 (C) (10), (11), and (12).

SECTION SEVEN. SAVING CLAUSE

If any provision of this legislation is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or by a Navajo Nation District Court without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, those provisions of this legislation not determined invalid shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.

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