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TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Confirming the Appointment of Darrah Blackwater to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission for a Term of Four Years

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0211-24

DATE: September 17, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: A PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DARRAH BLACKWATER TO THE NAVAJO TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS

PURPOSE: The purpose of the resolution is to confirm the appointment of Darrah Blackwater to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission for a term beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2028.

Final Authority: Naabik'íyáti Committee


Vote Required: Simple Majority

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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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—Second Year, 2024

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TRACKING NO. 0211-24

AN ACTION
RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'
COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DARRAH
BLACKWATER TO THE NAVAJO TELECOMMUNICATIONS
REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS

BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has oversight authority with respect to communications and utilities. 2 N.N.C. § 500(C).
- B. The Naabik'iyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to confirm all appointments to boards and commissions. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701(A)(1).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (or the "Commission") is established under 2 N.N.C. §§ 3451-3455.

- 1 B. The Commission consists of seven (7) Commissioners appointed by the President
2 of the Navajo Nation and confirmed by the appropriate committee of the Navajo
3 Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 3454(A).
- 4 C. An appointment to the Commission shall be for a period of four (4) years. 2 N.N.C.
5 § 3454(B).
- 6 D. The President of the Navajo Nation has appointed Darrah Blackwater to the Navajo
7 Telecommunications Regulatory Commission. The appointment letter is attached
8 as **Exhibit A**, Ms. Blackwater's letter of interest is attached as **Exhibit B** and Ms.
9 Blackwater's resume is attached as **Exhibit C**.
- 10 E. The Navajo Nation finds it in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to confirm the
11 appointment of Ms. Darrah Blackwater to the Navajo Telecommunications
12 Regulatory Commission for a period beginning October 1, 2024, and ending
13 September 30, 2028.

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15 **SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION**

16 The Naabik'iyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, on the recommendation of
17 Resources and Development Committee, hereby confirms the appointment of Darrah
18 Blackwater to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission for a term
19 beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2028.

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