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Tracking No. <u>0216-24</u>

DATE: September 20, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE SPEAKER'S APPOINTMENT OF HENRY FOWLER TO THE NAVAJO NATION HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AS A COMMISSIONER WITH EDUCATION BACKGROUND

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to confirm the appointment of Mr. Henry Fowler as a Commissioner on the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission as a Commissioner with education background for a term of four years beginning October 1, 2024.

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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1	PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION	
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16	BE IT ENACTED:	
17	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY	
18	A. The Naabík'iyáti' Committee is established as a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation	
19	Council. 2 N.N.C. § 700.	
20	B. The Naabík'iyáti' Committee has the authority to approve and confirm appointments of	
21	Commissioners by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, to the Navajo Nation Human	
22	Rights Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 922 (A).	
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24	SECTION TWO. FINDINGS	
25	A. The Commissioners of the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission (or NNHRC) shall be	
26	appointed by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and confirmed by the Naabík'iyáti'	
27	Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 922 (A).	
28	B. The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission shall consist of five commissioners	
29	with reputable and established backgrounds in the fields of education, business, law	
30	enforcement, and social services. 2 N.N.C. § 922 (A).	
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- C. The NNHRC commissioners shall each serve a four-year term pursuant to the NNHRC Plan of Operation as approved by Navajo Nation Council Resolution No. CJN-15-08. Whenever a vacancy occurs on the Commission, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council appoints a new qualified member. NNHRC Plan of Operation, at Section IV-B, Organization/Term of Office.
- D. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, by memorandum attached as **Exhibit A**, has appointed Mr. Henry Fowler to the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission.
- E. Mr. Fowler has a reputable and established background in education, one of the four background subjects identified in 2 N.N.C. § 922 (A). Mr. Fowler's letter of interest and resume are attached as **Exhibit B**.

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION OF COMMISSIONER WITH BACKGROUND IN EDUCATION

The Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms the appointment of Mr. Henry Fowler as a Commissioner on the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission, with background in education, for a term of four years beginning October 1, 2024.