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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Reinstatement of Cleve Eagleheart Atene as a Member of the Navajo Nation**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0225-24

**DATE:** October 3, 2024

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION;  
AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO  
NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING THE REINSTATEMENT OF CLEVE  
EAGLEHEART ATENE AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION**

**PURPOSE:** This legislation, if approved, will approve reinstatement of Cleve Eagleheart Atene as an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Navajo Nation Council

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority Vote

**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.**



- 1 A. Cleve Eagleheart Atene was previously enrolled with the Navajo Nation, “being of ¾  
2 degree Navajo Indian Blood.” See **Exhibit A**, official record containing census  
3 number and Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood recorded November 1, 2001 by the  
4 Navajo Nation Vital Statistics Manager.
- 5 B. Cleve Eagleheart Atene relinquished membership with the Navajo Nation and enrolled  
6 with the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe. However, Cleve Eagleheart Atene disenrolled  
7 with the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe. On April 14, 2021, the Duckwater Shoshone  
8 Tribal Council, by resolution number 2021-D-11 officially approved the  
9 disenrollment. See **Exhibit B**, resolution of the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe numbered  
10 2021-D-11. By this action, Cleve Eagleheart Atene’s “benefits and privileges ...  
11 enjoyed as a member of the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe” were effectively revoked.
- 12 C. On September 25, 2021, the Oljato Chapter, in response to request for reinstatement,  
13 passed resolution OLJ09-03-2021-NB3, “SUPPORTING ... REINSTATEMENT OF  
14 CLEVE E. ATENE AS A MEMBER OF THE NAVAJO NATION.” See **EXHIBIT**  
15 **C**, Oljato Chapter Resolution.
- 16 D. Cleve Eagleheart Atene is eligible for reinstatement as a member of the Navajo  
17 Nation.

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19 **SECTION THREE. REINSTATEMENT OF CLEVE EAGLEHEART ATENE**

20 The Navajo Nation Council hereby approves the reinstatement of Cleve Eagleheart  
21 Atene as an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation. Cleve Eagleheart Atene shall  
22 hereinafter be entitled to all rights, benefits and privileges associated with Navajo Nation  
23 membership.  
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