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TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service Pueblo Pintado Land Lease for 79.48 Acres, Located within the Pueblo Pintado Chapter Vicinity, Navajo Nation (McKinley County, New Mexico) for the Pueblo Pintado Health Center Compound and Staff Quarters

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0258-24

DATE: November 22, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; APPROVING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE PUEBLO PINTADO LAND LEASE FOR 79.48 ACRES, LOCATED WITHIN THE PUEBLO PINTADO CHAPTER VICINITY, NAVAJO NATION (MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO) FOR THE PUEBLO PINTADO HEALTH CENTER COMPOUND AND STAFF QUARTERS

PURPOSE: The purpose of the legislation is to approve a Lease for the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, for 79.48 acres, more or less, in the Pueblo Pintado Chapter vicinity, Navajo Nation (McKinley County, New Mexico) for the Pueblo Pintado Health Center Compound and staff quarters.

Final Authority: Resources and Development Committee

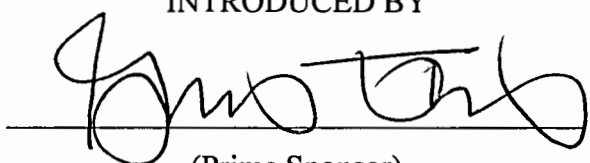
Vote Required: Simple Majority

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
2 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Second Year, 2024

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9 AN ACTION

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11 STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INDIAN
12 HEALTH SERVICE PUEBLO PINTADO LAND LEASE FOR 79.48 ACRES,
13 LOCATED WITHIN THE PUEBLO PINTADO CHAPTER VICINITY, NAVAJO
14 NATION (MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO) FOR THE PUEBLO PINTADO
15 HEALTH CENTER COMPOUND AND STAFF QUARTERS

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17 BE IT ENACTED:

18 **Section One. Authority**

- 19 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo
20 Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A).
21 B. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has
22 authority to give final approval of all land withdrawals, non-mineral leases,
23 permits, licenses, rights-of-way, surface easements and bonding requirements on
24 Navajo Nation lands and unrestricted (fee) land. This authority shall include
25 subleases, modifications, assignments, leasehold encumbrances, transfers,
26 renewals, and terminations. 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B)(2).

27 **Section Two. Findings**

- 28 A. The United States Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health
29 Service has submitted a request for a lease to occupy 79.48 acres, more or less, on
30 Navajo Nation Trust Lands in Pueblo Pintado Chapter (McKinley County, New

1 Mexico). The proposed Lease is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The Lease will be
2 used for the Pueblo Pintado Health Center Compound and staff quarters.

- 3 B. The proposed Lease for 79.48 acres, more or less, is described in **Exhibit B**.
- 4 C. Environmental, archaeological studies and clearances, and Consent Form to Use
5 Navajo Nation Lands have been completed and are attached hereto and
6 incorporated herein by this reference. The Draft Finding of No Significant Impact
7 (FONSI) is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. The Biological Resources Compliance
8 Form is attached hereto as **Exhibit D**. The Cultural Resources Compliance Form
9 and the Cultural Resources Inventory are attached as **Exhibit E**. The
10 Memorandum from the Navajo Nation Environmental Department Manager dated
11 July 19, 2024 is attached hereto as **Exhibit F**. The Consent to Use Navajo Nation
12 Lands is attached as **Exhibit G**.
- 13 D. Support resolutions from Pueblo Pintado Chapter, Counselor Chapter,
14 Torreon/Star Lake Chapter, Ojo Encino Chapter and Whitehorse Lake Chapter
15 are attached as **Exhibit H**.
- 16 E. A letter dated March 21, 2024 from the Area Director, Navajo Area Indian Health
17 Service to the Department Manager of the Navajo Land Department requesting
18 the lease of 79.48 acres is attached as **Exhibit I**.
- 19 F. The Executive Official Review Document No. 022645 is attached hereto as
20 **Exhibit J**.

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22 **Section Three. Approval:**

- 23 A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
24 approves a Lease for the United States Department of Health and Human Services
25 Indian Health Service, for 79.48 acres, more or less, in the Pueblo Pintado Chapter
26 vicinity, Navajo Nation (McKinley County, New Mexico) for the Pueblo Pintado
27 Health Center Compound and staff quarters.. The Navajo Nation hereby approves
28 the Lease subject to, but not limited to the Terms and Conditions in the Lease
29 attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
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B. The location is more particularly described on the survey maps attached as **Exhibit B.**

C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute any and all documents necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this resolution.