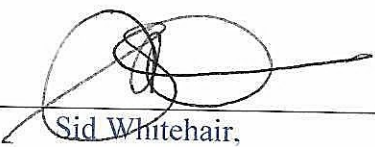


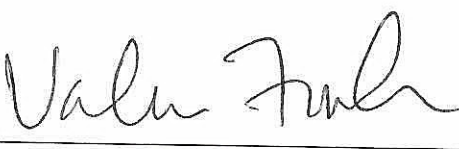
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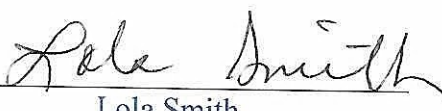
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Motion: Katie Spencer

Second: Rose Johnson

  
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CO-09-100-18

## RESOLUTION OF THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

### OPPOSING LEGISLATION RESOLUTION 0271-18, ENTITLED, "AUTHORIZING AN ELECTION REFERENDUM ON WHETHER NAVAJO NATION CHAPTER GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE REFORMED BY ESTABLISHING COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE CENTERS."

#### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3, and 11 N.N.C., Section 10, the Coppermine Chapter is a duly recognized and certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government; and
2. Pursuant to N.N.C., Chapter 1: Navajo Nation Chapter, Section 1., (B)(1)&(2), The Navajo Nation Council Delegated the Chapter Governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition and allows chapter to make decisions to govern with responsibility and accountability to community membership; and
3. The Coppermine Chapter believes that Chapter Governments are the Foundation of Navajo Government which is also the belief of the Navajo Nation Council via: "Navajo Nation Chapters are the foundation of the Navajo Nation Government..." (Resolution CAP-34-98: whereas 2) (Resolution that enacted Title 26) And the previous CAP-34-98 2 N.N.C. 4021 purpose: (Repealed by CAP-34-98(Title 26)
  - A. The Chapters of the Navajo Nation represent the foundation of the Navajo Nation Government.
4. The current proposed legislation is based on the Commission of the Navajo Nation Government Development (CNGD) resolution #CNDG-0701-18 which determines, "It is essential for the Navajo People to adopt and transition toward a sustainable cooperative model..." (CNGD-0701-18 Whereas #5); and
5. The CNDG further finds that "Currently, there are 110 Chapter governments operating as local government units pursuant to Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code, which does not reflect the East System Governance concept..." (CNGD-0701-18 Whereas 6); and
6. The CNDG nor the proposed Legislation defines or references what "Sustainable Cooperative Model".
7. These systems seem to render an almost exact same referendum solution of 23 + 1 regional governance entities (renamed Cooperative Governance Centers in current legislation) as the previously proposed regionalization referendum legislation CAU-45-16 which stated "Title 26 codification Task Force... recommending a referendum on regionalizing the 110 chapters into 24 regional governments" (CAU-45-16); however, this task force never used either or Sustainable Cooperative Model as justification for their recommendations;
8. The referendum as currently written violates Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Law by requiring a simple majority of registered Navajo voter as opposed to a majority of all Chapters; 26 N.N.C. 1 E. This Act (Title 26) may be amended by the Navajo Nation Council subject to approval of a majority of all Chapters of the Navajo Nation; or this Act may be amended by referendum vote of a majority of all Chapters as set forth in 11 N.N.C., Navajo



Nation Election Code. The Proposed Legislation only requires a majority of all voters, Previous Navajo court rulings have not struck down this process of a basic Majority Chapter approval as a requirement for amending Navajo Code.

9. In previous iterations of this referendum legislation, the Sponsoring delegate stated that the Navajo Nation Supreme Court struck down similar amendment language in Title 2: This 102(A) shall not be amended unless approved by majority vote of all registered voters in all precincts” (2 N.N.C. 102) However, the referred to case (SC-CY-03-10: June 2, 2010) only discussed the idea of an “extraordinary majority” since it would have required the majority of voters in all precincts to agree to an amendment. This important element of Title 26 which recognizes the power of the Navajo People both as individuals and as communities (formally recognized as Chapters).
10. Lastly, Coppermine Chapter recognizes that stability is an important element of a government, and while the Navajo Central government has collapsed and has been heavily modified multiple times since its various inceptions, chapter governments have remained relatively intact since their inception. Local direct democracy and empowered localities is more in keeping with traditional Navajo societal values unlike a large scale western styled centralized representative governmental entity, this is why Navajo Chapters are recognized as the “Foundation of Navajo Government”.

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Coppermine Chapter hereby considers the proposed legislation as being against Navajo Written Law and against Navajo Traditional Cultural Law and is therefore against its passage; and
2. The Coppermine Chapter is concerned that the CNGD is imposing non-Navajo governance systems upon the Navajo People without first working and consulting with all local Navajo communities/chapters and intends to “educate” the Navajo public on vastly different governance philosophies in only 60 days; and
3. The Coppermine Chapter finds that the current legislation is the same as the previously vetoed regionalization referendum legislation CAU-45-16; however, the current legislation uses vague and undefined “buzzwords” which are meant to sound positive but are being used to disguise the original vetoed legislation; and
4. The Coppermine Chapter must require that the CNGD consider analyzing “Earth System Governance concept” and “Sustainable Cooperative Model” via public processes and also in close coordination and consultation with many local level cultural practitioners across the entire Navajo Nation before attempting to hastily apply such concepts to the Foundation of Navajo Governance; and
5. The Coppermine Chapter believes in the ability of Navajo People to act both individually and as communities (through their chapters or any other locally designated local government). This is an essential element of Navajo Governance. Any ability to dissolve or amend a local government or chapter can only be achieved by the sovereign act of the voters of that local government or chapter. The power of that local government to exist is not derived from the Navajo Central Government, but from the members of that chapter itself. Any attempt to extinguish the rights of groups of Navajos to act as a local government or chapter without the concurrence of that group itself is inherently against Navajo Fundamental Law.
6. Lastly, and most concerning, is that while the Navajo Nation central government adopted a non-Navajo “Three Branch” government it forgot to enshrine the governmental entities which balance the power of the central government’s Three Branches, namely the Chapters. While individual Navajos through Nationwide popular votes can balance the Central Government; traditionally consultations, conversation, and contemplation regarding issues of local, regional and national concern have taken place at the local level. Thus, discussion and decisions at the local level has always been a powerful mechanism for Navajos to build consensus and to magnify and empower the individual Navajo’s decision-making ability. Thus, any attempt to extinguish this powerful tradition mechanism is a threat to traditional Navajo governance.
7. The Coppermine Chapter hereby opposes legislation resolution #0271-18, entitled, “ Authorizing and election referendum on whether Navajo Nation Chapter Governments should be reformed by establishing Cooperative Governance Centers.”

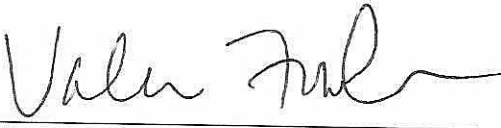
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Motion: Frank Spencer

Second: Amelia Nez

  
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CO-09-101-18

## RESOLUTION OF THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

APPROVING TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT FOR ROYLENTIA BEGAY, OFFICE SPECIALIST FROM OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO MARCH 29, 2019, BREAKDOWN IS: (GRADE STEP A158A) OFFICE SPECIALIST X 11.89 X 976 HOURS = \$11,604.64 PLUS 14% FRINGE BENEFITS, TAXES, WC OF \$1,624.64 FOR TOTAL \$13,229.28. FUNDS WILL BE BUDGETED IN THE FY2019 CARRYOVER FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 6,614.64 FOR 488 HOURS AND FY2019 ALLOCATION FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,614.64 FOR 488 HOURS.

### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3, and 11 N.N.C., Section 10, the Coppermine Chapter is a duly recognized and certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government; and
2. Pursuant to N.N.C., Chapter 1: Navajo Nation Chapter, Section 1., (B)(1)&(2), The Navajo Nation Council Delegated the Chapter Governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition and allows chapter to make decisions to govern with responsibility and accountability to community membership; and
3. The Coppermine Chapter Administration is need of Staff due to No CSC or AMS and the process to hire permanent Personnel through the Navajo Nation is a lengthy process, so hiring Temporary Office Specialist is recommended; and
4. A budget has been developed above utilizing funds budgeted in the FY2019 carryover and the funds budgeted in the FY2019 Allocation funds totaling \$13,229.28 for 6 months.

### NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Coppermine Chapter hereby supports and approves Temporary Employment for Roylentia Begay, Office Specialist from October 1, 2019 to March 29, 2019 using the funding breakdown exhibit above.




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We, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered at a duly-called meeting of the Coppermine Chapter, Coppermine (Navajo Nation), Arizona, at which a quorum was present and the same was passed by a vote of 41 in favor, 00 opposed, 16 abstained on this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of September 2018.

Motion: Paul Begay

Second: Edith Cling

  
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CO-09-102-18

## RESOLUTION OF THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

APPROVING TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT FOR REGINA REID, OFFICE ASSISTANT FROM OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO MARCH 29, 2019, BREAKDOWN IS: (GRADE STEP A156A) OFFICE ASSISTANT X 10.00 X 976 HOURS = \$9,760.00 PLUS 14% FRINGE BENEFITS, TAXES, WC OF \$1,366.40 FOR TOTAL \$11,126.40. FUNDS WILL BE BUDGETED IN THE FY2019 CARRYOVER FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 5,563.20 FOR 488 HOURS AND FY2019 ALLOCATION FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,563.20 FOR 488 HOURS.

### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3, and 11 N.N.C., Section 10, the Coppermine Chapter is a duly recognized and certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government; and
2. Pursuant to N.N.C., Chapter 1: Navajo Nation Chapter, Section 1., (B)(1)&(2), The Navajo Nation Council Delegated the Chapter Governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition and allows chapter to make decisions to govern with responsibility and accountability to community membership; and
3. The Coppermine Chapter Administration is need of Staff due to No CSC or AMS and the process to hire permanent Personnel through the Navajo Nation is a lengthy process, so hiring Temporary Office Assistant is recommended; and
4. A budget has been developed above utilizing funds budgeted in the FY2019 carryover and the funds budgeted in the FY2019 Allocation funds totaling \$11,126.40 for 6 months.

### NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Coppermine Chapter hereby supports and approves Temporary Employment for Regina Reid, Office Assistant from October 1, 2019 to March 29, 2019 using the funding breakdown exhibit above.

Subject: Chapter Meeting Agenda - Extend Temporary Employment

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From: vfowler@navajo-nsn.gov

To: coppermine@navajochapters.org; roylentia@b@yahoo.com; sidwhitehair@gmail.com;  
lsmith80cm@yahoo.com; sxwhiteh@srpnet.com

Date: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 11:14:09 AM MDT

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Staff / Officials,

ASAP to Payout ALL of the 941 IRS Payments. This will give me projection on Funding Available under Account 12.5M which will use the Funds to Keep Employment for the Temporary Office Specialist and Temporary Office Assistant for 3 Months then use the FY2019 Allocations Funds to Employee both Temporary Positions for another 3 Months.

Add-on to Chapter Agenda:

Resolution: Approving Temporary Employment for Roylentia Begay, Office Specialist and Regina Reid, Office Assistant from October 1, 2018 to March 29, 2018 due to No Permanent CSC and AMS at Coppermine Chapter and the process to hire Permanent Personnel through the Navajo Nation is lengthy process. The following is the Breakdown: (Grade Step AI58A) Office Specialist x \$11.89 x 976 Hours = \$ 11, 604.64 plus 14% Fringe Benefits, Taxes, WC of \$1,624.64 for Total \$13,229.28. Funds will be budgeted in the FY2019 Carry Over Funds in the Amount of \$6614.64 for 488 hours and FY2019 Allocations Funds in the Amount of \$6614.64 for 488 hours. (Grade Step AI56A) Office Assistant x \$10.00 x 976 Hours = \$ 9,760.00 plus 14% Fringe Benefits, Taxes, WC of \$1,366.40 for Total \$11,126.40. Funds will be budgeted in the FY2019 Carry Over Funds in the Amount of \$5563.20 for 488 hours and FY2019 Allocations Funds in the Amount of \$5563.20 for 488 hours

Should this be 2 separate Resolution or just 1. Let me know.

Add Resolution heading to the Chapter Agenda and can you prepare the Resolution too Roylentia. Thank you.

Valerie Fowler, Administrative Assistant  
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## RESOLUTION OF THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

### AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAPTER GENERAL FUND SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE FOLLOWING EIGHT (8) FULL TIME STUDENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00 EACH UTILIZING GENERAL ACTIVITY FUND 01-6721

#### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3, and 11 N.N.C., Section 10, the Coppermine Chapter is a duly recognized and certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government; and
2. Pursuant to N.N.C., Chapter 1: Navajo Nation Chapter, Section 1., (B)(1)&(2), The Navajo Nation Council Delegated the Chapter Governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition and allows chapter to make decisions to govern with responsibility and accountability to community membership; and
3. Navajo Tribal Council Resolution CJ-21-21-53 established the Navajo Higher Education Scholarship Fund and provide for its administration through the Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council Resolution ACA-63-53 which adopted the rules and regulations for the operation of the funds; and
4. The Coppermine Chapter has established so that each student requesting chapter scholarship financial assistance will be given in the amount of \$500.00 for the Chapter Scholarship Fund for financial assistance; and
5. Each student will be required to fill out the Chapter Scholarship Application and follow its guidelines and stipulation which requires students to turn in their official final grades before a check is issued out; and
6. The following Students have completed the Chapter Scholarship Application and is/are eligible to receive Financial Assistance - Chapter General/Scholarship:

#### Name of Students:

#### School:

- |                      |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Ashley Dempsey    | Northern Arizona University |
| 2. Simone Richardson | Coconino Community College  |
| 3. Marcus Begay      | Utah Valley University      |
| 4. Jaren Roberson    | Coconino Community College  |
| 5. Allen Fowler III  | Arizona Central College     |
| 6. Roderick Skacy    | Snow College                |
| 7. Mitchell Brown    | Dixie State University      |
| 8. Malina Tacheenie  | Arizona State University    |

#### NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Coppermine Chapter Community hereby Authorizes and Approves the Chapter General Activity Fund Scholarship Assistance to the Full time Students listed above with stipulations that the students will turn in an Official Final Grade before releasing any Funds.


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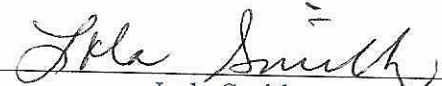
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Motion: Edith Cling

Second: Susie Yellowman

  
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## RESOLUTION OF THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

### ENDORISING AND SUPPORTING THE RE-ELECTION OF CONGRESSMAN TOM O'HALLERAN TO SERVE ARIZONA'S CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT ONE IN THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE.

#### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3, and 11 N.N.C., Section 10, the Coppermine Chapter is a duly recognized and certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government; and
2. Pursuant to N.N.C., Chapter 1: Navajo Nation Chapter, Section 1., (B)(1)&(2), The Navajo Nation Council Delegated the Chapter Governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition and allows chapter to make decisions to govern with responsibility and accountability to community membership; and
3. Coppermine Chapter Council finds that the Economic and Social Challenges facing the Navajo Nation, the largest land-based indigenous people in the United States demands the kind competent and responsible leadership that Tom O'Halleran has demonstrated during his time in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Arizona Legislature; and
4. Congressman Tom O'Halleran as a member of the Native American Caucus, Congressman Tom O'Halleran has worked hard to raise awareness of the unique challenge that tribal communities like the Navajo Nation face and to fight for resources to address the critical need of these communities; and
5. Congress Tom O'Halleran fought to secure funding from the VA to begin construction on the long awaited on the long-awaited veterans' home in Flagstaff; and
6. Congressman Tom O'Halleran introduced the Dine College Act in order to provide Funding to address the infrastructure needs of Dine College; and
7. Congressman Tom O'Halleran introduced the Tribal Uranium Exposure Treatment Enhancement Act. A bill that would allow communities affected by the mining, milling and transportation of Uranium to be eligible for loans and grants to build cancer treatment centers; and
8. Congressman Tom O'Halleran Co-sponsored of the Special Diabetes Program for Indian Reauthorization Act of 2017, to continue funding for the program through 2024; and
9. Congressman Tom O'Halleran co-sponsored the investing in Opportunity Act (H.R.828), which gives communities the ability to be designated Opportunity Zones and receive greater investments; and
10. Congressman Tom O'Halleran introduced legislation to invest in broadband infrastructure in tribal and rural areas; and
11. Congressman Tom O'Halleran obtained \$1 million in funding to improve school bus routes in rural, tribal areas; and
12. Congressmen Tom O'Halleran fought for and secured funding of the BIE School Replacement Program as well as for the operation and construction of additional BIE schools; and
13. Congressman Tom O'Halleran introduced the SURVIVE Act, which would provide legal, medical and counseling resources to victims of domestic violence in tribal communities; and
14. Congressman Tom O'Halleran co-sponsored the Native American Suicide Prevention Act, requiring states to collaborate with tribes in the development and implementation of suicide prevention and intervention programs; and
15. Congressman Tom O'Halleran introduced the Nursing Home Care for Native American Veterans Act, which encourages the construction of veteran nursing care homes on tribal lands through closing loopholes that prevent them from receiving federal grant money; and
16. Congressman Tom O'Halleran compared to all candidates for this office, presents the best opportunity to reverse the neglect by the United States of its treaty, legal, and moral obligations to the aboriginal people of North America.

#### NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Coppermine Chapter Council and surrounding Communities fully endorse and support Congressman Tom O'Halleran to serve Arizona's Congressional District one in the United States House of Representatives