



HOUCK CHAPTER GOVERNANCE

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RESOLUTION of HOUCK CHAPTER

SUPPORTING NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY'S CONTINUANCE OF OPERATIONS AT THE NAVAJO MINE AND ITS ACQUISITION OF THE FOUR CORNERS POWER PLANT

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Local Governance Act, 26 N.N.C. § 1 et seq. (the "LGA"), the Navajo Nation Council delegated the authority to Houck Chapter to make decisions over local matters to improve community decision making, allow communities to excel and flourish, enable Navajo leaders to lead towards a prosperous future, and improve the strength and sovereignty of the Navajo Nation;
2. Navajo Transitional Energy Company (NTEC) was created by the Navajo Nation to develop and manage the Nation's conventional, alternative, and renewable energy resources;
3. NTEC is planning to extend the lifespan of the Navajo Mine by acquiring the Four Corners Power Plant;
4. NTEC is also planning to build, own, and operate additional solar and gas generation facilities;
5. NTEC's acquisition of the Four Corners Power Plant and development of additional generation facilities will support a clean energy economy on the Navajo Nation and responsible regional electric power generation;
6. The Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant generate significant revenue to the Navajo Nation General Fund and sustain the Navajo economy through employment and vendor contracts;
7. Together, the Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant provide hundreds of good paying jobs on the Navajo Nation, and over 85% of the employees at Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant are Navajo;
8. The continued operation of the Navajo Mine and the acquisition of the Four Corners Power Plant will preserve existing jobs and allow NTEC to continue the community-based programs that support the Navajo People and communities, including scholarships, Community Benefit Fund Grants, the Community Heating Resource Program, and other initiatives; and
9. Houck Chapter has reviewed the information regarding the Navajo Mine and the Four Corners Power Plant and recognizes the significance of its their positive contributions to Navajo People, the Navajo economy, and the Navajo Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Houck Chapter hereby supports the NTEC's efforts in continuing operations at the Navajo Mine, acquiring the Four Corners Power Plant, and the development of additional generation including solar and gas to develop and manage the energy resources of the Navajo Nation and create a sustainable energy economy for the Navajo People and the Navajo Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I, certify and approve this forgoing resolution that was considered by the Houck Chapter at a duly called meeting where a quorum was present with a Motion by Julia Juy, and seconded by addy gradeholt Jr and that the same passed by a vote: 21 Approve; 0 Opposed; 2 Abstained on this 20th day of June 2025.

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