

RESOLUTION
OF THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Repealing the Old Navajo Nation Policies and Procedures
Concerning the Protection of Cemeteries, Gravesites and Human
Remains, Approved by Resolution No. ACMA-39-86, and Approving
a New Navajo Nation Burial Policy

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 691, the Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is established and continued as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council; and
2. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 695 (b) (13), the Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is the oversight committee for the Division of Natural Resources, including the Historic Preservation Department; and
3. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 695 (b) (12), the Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is authorized to establish Navajo Nation policy with respect to the optimum utilization of all resources; and
4. The Historic Preservation Department within the Division of Natural Resources is established in accordance with the Plan of Operation approved by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council on October 25, 1994, by Resolution No. GSCO-82-94; and
5. Pursuant to section IV (F) of said Plan of Operation, the Director of the Historic Preservation Department is authorized to develop and recommend policies, rules and regulations relating to Navajo land pertaining to the management of cultural, archaeological, historic and scientific resources; and
6. By Resolution No. ACMA-39-86, approved March 13, 1986, the former Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council approved the Navajo Nation Policies and Procedures Concerning the Protection of Cemeteries, Gravesites and Human Remains; and
7. The Director of the Historic Preservation Department has drafted a new proposed Navajo Nation Burial Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein, and has recommended to the Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council that the old Navajo Nation Policies and Procedures Concerning the Protection of Cemeteries, Gravesites and Human Remains be repealed and the new proposed Navajo Nation Burial Policy be approved in its place; and

8. The Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council finds that repealing the old Navajo Nation Policies and Procedures Concerning the Protection of Cemeteries, Gravesites and Human Remains and adopting a new Navajo Nation Burial Policy is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation and its people.

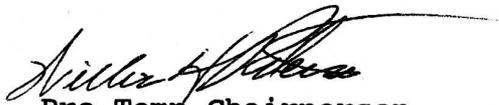
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby repeals the Navajo Nation Policies and Procedures Concerning the Protection of Cemeteries, Gravesites and Human Remains, approved by the former Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council on March 31, 1986, by Resolution No. ACMA-39-86.

2. The Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby approves the new Navajo Nation Burial Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstained, this 31st day of October, 1996.


Pro Temp Chairperson
Resources Committee

Motion: Jones Begay
Second: Harold Tunney