



THE NAVAJO NATION FORT
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RESOLUTION FOR FORT DEFIANCE CHAPTER

**SUPPORTING ARIZONA HOUSE BILL 2287 (HB2287) FOR AN
APPROPRIATION SUBMISSION FOR THE N9073 PHASE 2 ROCKFALL/ROADWAY
PROJECT IN FORT DEFIANCE, AZ**

WHEREAS:

1. Fort Defiance Chapter is duly certified chapter of the Navajo Nation, pursuant to Navajo Nation Code 2, Sections 4001 and 4006, with authority to address and act on the needs and concerns of its people, and
2. Fort Defiance Chapter was governance-certified on January 15, 2016, which provides autonomy in its structure and governance; and
3. Fort Defiance Chapter provides multiple public services to the community, including services that directly affect the safety and health of the community; and
4. Arizona legislative sessions concerning state budgets for FY 27' are upcoming and will be discussed among the Arizona legislatures (Senate and House); and
5. Arizona's budget formulas are supported by federal, state, legislative, and non-appropriated appropriations; and
6. The State of Arizona HB2287 is an appropriation submission for N9073 Phase 2 Rockfall/Roadway Project in Fort Defiance, AZ in the amount of \$4,000,000; and
7. The N9073 Phase 2 Rockfall/Roadway Project will address the rock/gabion study, design-build process and implementation, contract review, permits and startup, and eventually, it will assist with construction; and
8. There are over 100 families who utilize N9073, from seniors, patients, students, and other vulnerable populations who deserve immediate and prompt attention; and
9. This route is a key thoroughfare connecting Sawmill, AZ (Apache County), to tribal, state, and federal resources.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. Fort Defiance Chapter supports the State of Arizona HB2287 appropriation submission for Fort Defiance, AZ for N9073 Phase 2 Rockfall/Roadway Project.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Fort Defiance Chapter at a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of _____ in favor, _____ opposed, and _____ abstained, this 16th day of March 2026.

Motion By: _____ 2nd By: _____

Tom White, Jr., President
Navajo Nation Fort Defiance Chapter