THE NAVAJO NATION



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Navajo Nation Council Window Rock, AZ 86515

Dear 24th Navajo Nation Council

RE: UPDATE OF NAVAJO NATION YOUTH COUNCIL

Please be informed the Navajo Nation Youth Advisory Council has temporarily ceased operations beginning March 20, 2020 due to the presence of COVID 19 on the Nation.

Ceased youth council operations comply with Executive Order No. 001-20 - Declaring a State of Emergency due to the Confirmation of the COVID 19 Virus in Regional Areas Surrounding the Navajo Nation, Closing the Navajo Nation Government Offices, and Supporting the Closure of all Schools and Educational Facilities on the Navajo Nation.

The Office of President and Vice President holds that the well-being and good health of each and every Navajo person as paramount. It is our hope we can seat the new youth council members in the near future so they can begin to move forward with their public outreach and events.

In the interim, your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated. I have attached our last report for your information, as it provides additional information to the fact that students have not been selected by the Branch Chiefs for the 2nd cohort of youth council members.

Any questions, please let us know. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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