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Navajo Nation Council to host fundraiser for U.S. Congressional candidate Wenona Benally Baldenegro

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – The Naa’bik’iyati’ Committee of the 22nd Navajo Nation Council, in a July 10 meeting, directed Speaker Johnny Naize to host a fundraising dinner for Congressional candidate Wenona Benally Baldenegro.

The dinner fundraiser will take place at the Navajo Nation Veteran’s Memorial Park on Monday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m.

The directive to host the fundraiser for Benally Baldenegro was made by Council Delegate Leonard Tsosie, and received overwhelming support from the committee.

Delegate Tsosie commended Benally Baldenegro for running a clean grassroots campaign and choosing not to accept donations from corporate entities.

Council Delegates Katherine Benally and Lorenzo Curley both emphasized the importance of supporting a Diné candidate, who is nihí ‘awéé’ and a representative of the Navajo Nation.

According to Benally Baldenegro’s campaign website, “As an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation, Wenona’s campaign is historic, in that if elected, she would be the first American Indian woman to ever serve in the U.S. Congress, and the first American Indian from Arizona to be elected to Congress.”

The cost of attending the dinner fundraiser is set at \$15 per plate.

Former Miss Navajo Nation Radmilla Cody will serve as the mistress of ceremonies. Providing the evening entertainment will be traditional White Mountain Apache Tribe/Diné singer, Joe Tohonnie, Jr.

If you would like to attend the dinner fundraiser, please RSVP with Eilene Tsosie at (928) 221-9030 or by email at etosise@gmail.com. Donations will be accepted at the door for all individuals who RSVP.

Alternatively, you can still arrive at the fundraiser without an RSVP but note that seating will be limited to approximately 150 donating individuals.

For more information on the fundraiser, please contact Eric Descheenie, Legislative Branch Chief of Staff, at (928) 255-2946.

If individuals would like to make a donation but cannot attend the fundraiser, you can donate online at <http://wenonaforarizona.com> or you can send checks to Wenona for Arizona 2700 Woodlands Village Blvd. Suite 300-203 Flagstaff, AZ 86001.

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