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Speaker expresses condolences over the death of former Council Delegate

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On behalf of the Navajo Nation Council, the Speaker Johnny Naize (Low Mountain, Many Farms, Nazlini, Tachee/Blue Gap, Tselani/Cottonwood) wishes to extend his sincere condolences to the family of former Council Delegate Charlie C. Billy of Chilchinbeto, Ariz., who passed away on November 24.

“I would like to send condolences to Mr. Billy’s family on behalf of the 22nd Navajo Nation Council,” the Speaker stated. “We on the Council would like to thank his family for sharing him with the nation during his many years of selfless service to the Council.”

Mr. Billy served six non-consecutive terms, beginning in 1971 and ending in 2004, on the Navajo Nation Council.

Mr. Billy also served on the school board for Chilchinbeto Community School from 1994 to 2004, which totaled to over thirty-three (33) years of public service to Chilchinbeto and the Navajo Nation.

During his service on the Navajo Nation Council, Mr. Billy was instrumental in coordinating efforts that resulted in the world’s largest hand-woven Navajo rug.

“On behalf of the Billy family, I ask the communities he served to offer their emotional and financial support,” said Speaker Naize. “I worked with him for a number of years and I knew Billy to be a good person and it would mean a lot to me if the communities of the Navajo Nation extended their support.”

If you would like to make a financial contribution to the Billy family please contact Daniel Billy at (928) 380-0226. Funeral services will take place at the Nazarene Church in Chilchinbeto at 10 AM on Tuesday, November 29.

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