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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan stands besides the
“Fort Defiance Methamphetamine Task Force” in addressing the
dangerous drug and its profound negative effects**

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – The Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale) stands besides the “Fort Defiance Meth Task Force” in addressing the issue of methamphetamine pandemic.

Speaker Morgan offers his full support to the recent organized “Meth Éí Dooda” tribal leadership summit and conference during the days of June 28th-29th at Window Rock High School and the Diné Education Center.

“I have stood beside our Meth Task Force in addressing the issues of this destructive drug,” Speaker Morgan said. “The 20th Navajo Nation Council worked diligently to bring forth legislation to make amendments to the law concerning Meth. We do know that more needs to be done in refining the law for the future. This is where the work of the Meth Task Force is so critical in bringing forth proposals to their local council delegates.”

Speaker Morgan added that he “would also encourage that close collaboration occur with the Public Safety Committee. It is this committee who are very active concerning their advocacy at the local, state, and national level.”

Council Delegate Rex Lee Jim (Rock Point) said there is much work that needs to be done against the usage of methamphetamine on the Navajo Nation.

“There are many committed people of our Navajo Nation who will have the most positive impact in addressing Meth issues.” Jim said. “The relentlessness of the movement is powerful and I know that they will bring forth positive changes for our communities.”

Speaker Morgan said he has “personally witnessed the progress that has been made by our Meth Task Force that were created agency wide.”

He said progress such as increased methamphetamine education and community awareness.

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“I know that our people who are involved in the Meth Task Force and the Tribal Leaders Summit are caring and committed individuals,” Speaker Morgan said. “On behalf of the Speaker and the 21st Navajo Nation Council we thank the Meth Task Force very much for your hard work. Meth is something that impacts many communities. It impacts the young and the old. It requires the attention of all and it begins here. Again, let us continue to move the fight forward. We appreciate each and every one of you in joining in this effort.”