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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan announces that the 21st Navajo Nation Council are scheduled to convene for the Summer Session

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. -- Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale) announces that the 21st Navajo Nation Council Special Session is scheduled for July 16-20, 2007 at the Navajo Nation Council Chambers.

Some tentatively scheduled legislation categorized in the old business section includes legislation, No. 0349-06 that was tabled to the Spring Session from Fall Session.

This legislation No. 0349-06 titled "Relating to Capital Improvement, Judiciary, Public Safety and Finance; Adopting Five-Year-Plan for the Expenditure of Navajo Nation Permanent Fund Income for Fiscal Year 2005-2010; Amending Resolution CD-58-05, the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2006 Fiscal Year Budget; Making Supplemental Appropriations in the Amount of \$16.8 Million," will be considered by the council. Sponsors for this legislation are council delegates Danny Simpson (Huerfano) and Harold Wauneka (Fort Defiance).

A majority of the Summer Session agenda has numerous new items such as legislation that relates to Human Service and Finance. This legislation No. 0221-07 would amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by approving a Supplemental Appropriate for \$150,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance for the Chinle Agency Department of Navajo Veterans' Affairs Office, the Central Navajo Veterans' Organization and the Chinle Chapter Veterans' Organization to host the Navajo Reservation Veterans' Summit. The sponsor for this legislation is council delegate Andy Ayze (Chinle).

Legislation No. 0317-07 relating to Transportation and Community Development and Finance is tentatively scheduled for the Summer Session.

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This legislation would amend the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2007 Budget by approving supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$22 million for the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the 110 Navajo Nation Chapter by granting \$200,000 per chapter.

This legislation is sponsored by council delegate Ernest D. Yazzie Jr. (Baahaali/Church Rock).

Legislation No. 0317-07 relating to emergency, resources and finance is scheduled for the summer session. This legislation sponsored by council delegate Omer Begay Jr. (Cornfields/Greasewood Springs/Klagetoh/Wide Ruins) would approve supplemental appropriations for \$795,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the Department of Water Resources, Division of Natural Resources to be used for the rehabilitation and procurement of water wells, earthen dams, storage tanks, supplies, equipment and other materials.

The next legislation relates to social services and finance. This legislation No. 0392-07 would amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by approving an appropriation for \$150,000 as a grant to the Little Folks Days Care Center, Preschool and Community Services, Inc. from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance. The sponsor for this legislation is council delegate Peterson B. Yazzie (Naschitti/Tohatchi).

Legislation No. 0808-06 relates to Veterans and Finance. This legislation would amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by approving supplemental appropriations for \$4,780,377.04 as a grant to the Navajo Housing Authority from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance for a funding shortfall in the construction of 56 housing units for Navajo Veterans. This legislation is sponsored by council delegate Larry Anderson Sr. (Fort Defiance).

Another legislation that relates to Intergovernmental Relations and Finance is scheduled. This legislation No. 0355-07 refers to a referendum vote on the expenditure of the Navajo Nation Permanent Trust Fund Principal Balance to the Navajo Election Administration to conduct a special election for the referendum. This legislation is sponsored by council delegate Kee Allen Begay Jr. (Many Farms/Round Rock).

The next legislation relates to the Government Services and Intergovernmental Relations. The legislation No. 0294-07 approves an Intergovernmental Agreement between the state of Arizona Department of Transportation and the Navajo Nation for \$869,576 with a required Navajo Nation match for \$439,622 for activities performed relating to the Section 5311 rural public transportation program, and waiving sovereign immunity of the Navajo Nation. This legislation is sponsored by council delegate Orlanda Smith-Hodge (Cornfields/Greasewood Springs/Klagetoh/Wide Ruins) and Amos F. Johnson (Forest Lake/Black Mesa/Hard Rock).

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Council delegate Larry Anderson Sr. (Fort Defiance) is sponsoring legislation No. 0134-07 that relates to elections. His legislation proposes to extend the Term of Office for the elective position of a council delegate to six years.

Legislation No. 0205-07 relates to finance and government services. This legislation is sponsored by council delegate Raymond Maxx (Toh Nanees Dizi/Coalmine Canyon). This legislation proposes enacting a Budget Line Veto act of 2007. This would authorize the President to exercise a Budget Line Veto in the Annual Comprehensive Operating Budget and Supplemental Appropriation Resolutions by Amending 2 N.N.C. §§221 and 1005, and 12 N.N.C. §§810 and 840.

Legislation No. 0210-07 relates to Judiciary and Ethics. This legislation proposes to amend the Navajo Nation Ethics in Government Law Garnishment Act of 2005, 2 N.N.C. 3810. The sponsor is council delegate Francis Redhouse (TeeNosPos).

Legislation No. 0257-07 relates to Education, Community Development and Finance. This legislation proposes to amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by Approving a Supplemental Appropriation for \$1,000,000 as a Grant to the Rehoboth Christian School from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance for Construction of the Rehoboth Sports and Fitness Center and Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§810, 820, 860 and Other Applicable Navajo Nation Laws. Sponsors are council delegates Edmund E. Yazzie (Thoreau), Charles Damon II (Baahaali/Church Rock), Young Jeff Tom (Mariano Lake/Smith Lake).

Legislation No. 0215-07 relates to Education and Finance. This legislation proposes to amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by Approving Supplemental Appropriations for \$93,641.54 as a Grant to *Nideiltihi* Navajo Elite Runners, Brandon Leslie and Alvina Begay, from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance for their training for the United States Olympic Marathon Trials, and Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§810, 820 and Other Applicable Navajo Nation Laws. The sponsors are council delegate Lorenzo Curley (Houck/Lupton/Nahata Dziil) and Tim Goodluck (Houck/Lupton/Nahata Dziil).

Legislation No. 0023-07 relating to Resources, Community Development and Finance. This legislation proposes to amend the Navajo Nation 2007 Fiscal Year Budget by Approving a Supplemental Appropriation for \$250,000 to the Lukachukai Chapter for Construction of the Lukachukai Agriculture Complex From the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance and Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§810, 820, 860 and Other Applicable Navajo Nation Laws. The sponsor is council delegate Larry Anderson, Sr.

The next legislation No. 0139-07 that is sponsored by council delegate David Tom (Mariano Lake/Smith Lake) relates to Community Development, and proposes changing the name of *Gadii'ahi* Chapter to *Gadii'ahi/To'koi* Chapter.

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Legislation No. 0157-07 relates to Resources is sponsored by council delegate George Arthur (T'iistoh Bikaad/San Juan/Nenanezad). This legislation approves amendments to the Navajo Nation Civil Trespass Act, 16 N.N.C. §§2201-2292.

Legislation No. 0228-07, relates to Resources, is also sponsored by council delegate George Arthur Approving the Navajo Nation Veterinary Act of 2007, Amending 20 N.N.C. §§1001 to 1104.

Legislation No. 0248-07, relates to Intergovernmental Relations. This legislation proposes to confirm Jerry L. Frank as the Legislative Branch Representative to the Commission on Navajo Government Development for a Two-Year Term. The legislation's sponsor is Speaker Morgan.

Council delegate Jonathan Nez (Shonto) is sponsoring three legislations. They are legislation No. 0271-07, and relates to Intergovernmental Relations. This legislation approving the appointment of Robert Yazzie as the Western Navajo Agency Representative on the Navajo Government Development Commission.

The next legislation No. 0378-07 also sponsored by Nez, and relates to Intergovernmental Relations. This legislation proposes to confirm the appointment of Sam Begay to the Commission on Navajo Government Development. Another Nez-sponsored Legislation is No. 0354-07, relates to Intergovernmental Relations. This legislation proposes the confirmation of the appointment of Mae Horseson to the Commission on Navajo Government Development.

Legislation No. 0273-07 relates to Community Development. This legislation proposes to confirm the appointment of Arbin Mitchell as Division Director for the Division of Community Development. The legislation sponsor is council delegate Leslie Dele (Tonalea).

Legislation No. 0742-06 relates to Human Services and Finance, and is sponsored by council delegate Norman John II (Twin Lakes). This legislation proposes to amend Resolution CAP-46-02 by requiring that General Wage Adjustments be Provided to all Navajo Nation "999" Classified Employees Retroactive to October 1, 2002, and Prohibiting the Future Withholding of General Wage Adjustments from all Navajo Nation "999" Classified Employees.

Speaker Morgan sponsors Legislation No. 0409-07. This legislation relates to the Legislative Branch and Navajo Nation Boards and Commissions. This legislation proposes the confirmation the Selection of Members of the Eastern Navajo Land Commission.

Legislation No. 0341-07 relating to Community Development and Finance, and sponsored by council delegate Willie Begay (Chilchinbeto/Kayenta). This legislation proposes to enacting the Navajo Nation Road Management Fund Allocation Amendment Act of 2007; Amending Title 12 of the Navajo Nation Code, Section 1004.

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Lastly, Legislation No. 0368-07 relates to Public Safety and Intergovernmental Relations. This legislation proposes the Confirmation of the Navajo Nation Jurisdiction over Sex Offender Registration and Notification for Purposes on Public Law 109-248, Title 1, the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006. This legislation's sponsor is council delegate Edmund E. Yazzie (Thoreau).

During the first day of the Summer Session, a verbal report by Omar C. Bradley, Bureau of Indian Affairs Regional Director is scheduled. Written reports by Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale); Honorable Chief Justice Herb Yazzie; by the council standing committees, boards and commissions and John Hubbard Jr., Indian Health Services Area Director are scheduled to be submitted to the council.