



The 24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
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Carl Roessel Slater Elected, Takes Navajo Nation Council Delegate Oath

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Oct. 10, 2019 – Carl Roessel Slater took the Oath of Office for the Navajo Nation Council as the Council Delegate for the Tsaile/Wheatfields, Lukachukai, Round Rock, Tséché'izhí and Rock Point Chapters at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber on October 10, 2019.



PHOTO: Carl Roessel Slater (left) takes the Navajo Nation Council Delegate Oath of Office administered by Supreme Court Chief Justice JoAnn Jayne (right) Thursday morning, October 10, 2019 in the Navajo Nation Council Chamber at Window Rock, Arizona. Diné Hataááli Johnson Dennison (far left) and Faith Roessel (middle), Delegate Slater's mother, were in attendance.

Delegate Slater was elected at a special election carried out by the Navajo Election Administration on September 24, 2019 upon the retirement of Delegate Nelson S. BeGaye.

Navajo Nation Supreme Court Chief Justice JoAnn Jayne administered the oath for Delegate Slater Thursday morning after the Navajo Board of Election Supervisors acted to certify the special election results.

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Delegate Slater thanked those in attendance after taking the oath and shared a statement of gratitude to the Chapters he represents.

Delegate Slater's maternal clan is Kiyaa'áanii, his paternal clan is So' Dine'é, his maternal grandfather is So' Dine'é, and his paternal grandfather is So' Dine'é. Delegate Slater's mother is Faith Roessel and his father is Matthew Slater. His maternal grandparents are the late Ruth and Robert Roessel of Round Rock, Arizona. His paternal grandparents are the late Ruth and Carl Slater of New Rochelle, New York.

"We are honored to have Delegate Slater alongside us on the floor of the Navajo Nation Council," said Speaker Seth Damon. "The five Chapter communities Delegate Slater represents can continue to be confident that their voice is being heard at Council."

"On behalf of the Nez-Lizer Administration, we congratulate Council Delegate Carl Slater and we wish him well as he takes on the challenge of serving his communities. We look forward to working together with Delegate Slater and all of the Council members," said President Jonathan Nez.

Speaker Damon expressed appreciation, on behalf of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, to the five chapters, the Navajo Board of Election Supervisors, the Navajo Election Administration and the Office of Hearings and Appeals for their work in carrying out the special election.

Delegate Slater will serve on the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee and the Navajo Community Development Financial Institution and Síhásin Subcommittees.

Following the swearing-in ceremony, Delegate Slater participated in the Naabik'íyáti' Committee meeting the same day and cast his first vote as Navajo Nation Council Delegate.

The 24th Navajo Nation Council is the legislative body of the Navajo Nation and is comprised of 24 Council Delegates representing 24 voting districts across a total of 110 local Chapter communities.

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