



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Office of the Mayor

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Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

November 13, 2023

TO: Pat Davis, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor *R*

SUBJECT: Mayor's appointment of Mrs. Lynette L. Gassner to the Commission on American Indian and Alaska Native Affairs

I am submitting for your advice and consent the following name for appointment to the Commission on American Indian and Alaska Native Affairs in accordance with the City Albuquerque Ordinance 2-6-6-1.

APPOINTEE NAME

Mrs. Lynette L. Gassner
Albuquerque, NM 87105

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October 1, 2026

Lynette Gassner is a third-year college student, professional musician, food service worker, researcher, and advocate for Indigenous rights. Hailing from the Diné tribe, with affiliations to the Tsi'naajini and Dibelzhini clans, Lynette draws strength from her cultural heritage and channels it into her pursuits. Lynette has over 10 years of experience in music and values the importance of music education and community engagement. She has served time volunteering to organize benefit concerts for marginalized Black, Indigenous, and People of Color music students, paving a way for access and opportunity. She has organized concerts at assisted living facilities at her high school. Now she serves on board of the Modern Music Guild, an organizing performance group at Oberlin College, where she books events and organizes workshops for modern music education. Lynette Gassner is an inspiring and dynamic individual, whose diverse experiences and unwavering commitment to social change make her a compelling figure.

A non-city resident, Mrs. Lynette L. Gassner will be appointed on the Commission and serve as the education representative; her first term will expire on October 1, 2026.

The remaining members are:

	Representing	Name	Term
1.	All Pueblo Council of Governors	Vacant	
2.	At Large	Ms. Kim Benally	10/01/2023
3.	At Large	Mr. Kyle Tapaha	10/01/2025
4.	At Large	Ms. Kim Gleason	10/01/2022
5.	Culture Representative	Mr. Lorenzo R. Jim	10/01/2023
6.	Education Representative	Vacant	
7.	Environmental Representative	Ms. Marissa Naranjo	10/01/2024
8.	Government Representative	Vacant	
9.	Health Representative	Vacant	
10.	Isleta Pueblo	Mr. Ron Looking Elk	At Pleasure
11.	Laguna Pueblo	Ms. Thelma Antonio	At Pleasure
12.	Sandia Pueblo	Vacant	
13.	Santa Ana Pueblo	Vacant	
14.	To'hajiilee Chapter	Ms. Jaqueline Platero	At Pleasure
15.	Workforce/Employment Representative	Ms. Raven J. Begay	10/01/2025

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Samantha Sengel, Chief Administrative Officer

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Date