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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission is hosting a Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar.

The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission ("Commission") will be hosting a Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar, on June 20, 2018 from 10:00AM to 3:30PM at Albuquerque Indian Center, 105 Texas St SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108. Before the Hate Crimes Awareness seminar there will be a Navajo Protection Ceremony from 8:30-9:30AM, which is open to anyone who wants to participate.

**What:** Hate Crimes Awareness Seminar  
**When:** June 20, 2018  
**Time:** Starting at 10:00A.M.  
**Where:** Albuquerque Indian Center, 105 Texas St SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

Topics include **What is a Hate Crime? What is the Legal Standard to Pursue Hate Crime Charges?** Presentation by Arusha Gordon, Attorney and Josué Romualdo, Assistant Coordinator Stop Hate Project, Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; **City of Albuquerque update on Department of Justice Agreement** by Edward W. Harness, ESQ, Executive Director, Albuquerque Civilian Police Oversight Agency; **Hate Crimes in New Mexico** Presentation by Javier Almodovar, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation; **The Vincent Kee Trial, the First Hate Crime Case pursued under the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr., Hate Crimes Prevention Act.** Presentation by Kyle T. Nayback, Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney, Indian Country Crimes Section, and Roberto Ortega, Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office

If you have any additional questions regarding the seminar contact the Commission at 928-871-7436 during regular Commission hours.

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