

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Joined by his supporters in the capital of the Navajo Nation, presidential candidate Jonathan Nez officially announced Navajo businessman Myron Lizer as his vice-presidential running mate for the 2018 Navajo Nation general election on Sept. 4.

"After careful thought, prayer, and a thorough vetting process I have selected Myron Lizer to join the Nez ticket as my running mate," Nez said. "He brings over 28 years of business management and experience working for Fortune 500 companies and has worked tirelessly at building an economy here on Dinétah. Mr. Lizer offers a wealth of ideas on how to improve our government and provide business opportunities for the benefit of all Navajo people."

Lizer's family is originally from a small community known as Coalmine, located just northeast of Tse Bonito, New Mexico. He is Numunu (Comanche Nation) and born for Tó'áhani.

Lizer has served the Navajo Nation for years, founding the Window Rock chapter of the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce, providing financial literacy training to entrepreneurs, and is the president of the Navajo Westerners Ace Hardware Stores and Lumber Yards.

He earned his Bachelor of Arts in business administration from Fort Lewis College, and before returning home, he was employed by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe as an accountant for the Southern Ute Growth Fund.

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Lizer and his wife Dottie reside in Window Rock and have three children, Dwayne, Kevin and Hallie.

"From the start, this campaign has been about building unity among our Diné people and our communities," Nez said. "Together, Mr. Lizer and I will continue on that path and we will continue listening to the People in the coming months."