

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appropriating the sum of \$97,350.00 to conduct a Campaign to amend the Present
Nationality Law)

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-511

1 **WHEREAS, under present nationality law, hundreds, perhaps thousands, of members, born in**
2 **the United States and whose births were never registered, can not obtain public**
3 **benefits, driver's licenses, U.S. passports and in some cases, employment, and who**
4 **can not freely cross the international border; and**

5 **WHEREAS, under present nationality law hundreds of members born in Mexico and whose**
6 **parents were born in the United States but whose parents birth in the U.S. were never**
7 **registered can not obtain "derivative" U.S. citizenship status and are, therefore,**
8 **precluded from obtaining public benefits, driver's licenses, U.S. passports and in**
9 **some cases, employment, and who can not freely cross the international border; and**

10 **WHEREAS, under present nationality law the approximately one thousand three hundred thirty-**
11 **eight members (1,338) members who were born in and reside in Mexico are denied**
12 **rights enjoyed by members of other federally recognized Native American sovereigns**
13 **such as, but not limited to, the right to work in the United States, enroll their children**
14 **in school, obtain health care, social security and other benefits; and**

15 **WHEREAS, under present nationality law, hundreds, perhaps thousands, of members who were**
16 **born in Mexico and have lived and worked in the United States for many years can not**
17 **obtain public benefits, including, but not limited to, social security; and**

18 **WHEREAS, all of these members are subject to arrest, deportation, vehicle seizure and criminal**
19 **prosecution when encountered in the United States without documentation; and**

20 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Nation and the**
21 **thousands of members adversely affected by present nationality law, to request that**
22 **the United States Congress amend the present nationality law, to request that the**
23 **United States Congress amend the present nationality law to make all enrolled**
24 **members of the Nation United States citizens.**

25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:**

26 **1. The sum of \$97,350.00 is hereby appropriated to pay for the costs associated with**

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the campaign to convince the United States Congress to amend the present nationality law making all enrolled members United States citizens.

2. The Executive is authorized and instructed to conduct this campaign and to expend funds appropriated herein for this purpose.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 26TH Day of OCTOBER, 2000 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,214.8 FOR; 792.6 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 158.1 [03] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (d)2 & (j) of Article VI and Section 2 (d) of Article VII of the Constitution of the Tohono O'Odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'Odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL


Dennis Ramon, Legislative Chairman

1 day of November, 2000

ATTEST:


Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

26 day of October, 2000.

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 1 day of November, 2000 at 2:13 o'clock, P.M., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL


Dennis Ramon, Legislative Chairman

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APPROVED

on the 3 day of November, 20 00

DISAPPROVED

at 9:15 o'clock, A.M.

Edward D. Manuel
EDWARD D. MANUEL, Chairman
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 3rd day of
November, 20 00, at 10:29 o'clock, A.M.

Julianna Saraficio
Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$97,350.00 TO CONDUCT A CAMPAIGN TO AMEND THE PRESENT NATIONALITY LAW

MOVED: COUNCILMAN DAVID GARCIA

SECOND: COUNCILMAN KENNETH WILLIAMS

DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2000

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 171.8	1. MARY ANN ANTONE (Darlene Andrew)	85.9	X			
	2. RITA MARTINEZ (Nicholas Jose)	85.9	X			
SELLS 372.7	1. DENNIS E. JOSE ()	186.35		X		
	2. EVELYN JUAN ()	186.35		X		
SCHUK TOAK 133.4	1. MARY FLORES ()	66.7		X		
	2. AMBROSE ENCINAS ()	66.7		X		
SAN XAVIER 165.9	1. TONY BURRELL ()	82.95	X			
	2. DENNIS RAMON ()	82.95	X			
BABOQUIVARI 286.5	1. FRANCES MIGUEL ()	143.25		X		
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (Edward N. Kisto)	143.25		X		
GU ACHI 209.6	1. CAMILLUS LOPEZ (Louis Johnson)	104.8	X			
	2. ALEX J. RAMON** ()	104.8	X			
PISINEMO 156.8	1. BARBARA SALVICIO (Alex Antone)	78.4	X			
	2. JOHNSON JOSE ()	78.4	X			
SAN LUCY 128.1	1. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. ()	64.05	X			X
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	64.05	X			
GU VO 160.0	1. FERN SALCIDO ()	80.0	X			
	2. GLORIA MONTANA (Phillip Antone)	80.0	X			
HICKIWAN 158.1	1. SHIRLEY MOLINA ()	79.05				X
	2. LLOYD FRANCISCO (Susan Sam)	79.05				X
CHUKUT KUK 222.6	1. KENNETH WILLIAMS ()	111.3	X			
	2. DAVID GARCIA (Mary Audrey Juan)	111.3	X			
TOTAL		2,165.5	1,214.8	792.6	-0-	158.1 (03)

**PASSED VOTES