

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approval of Payment for Hospitalization and Transportation for Yara Velasco Preciado)

RESOLUTION NO. 01-121

- 1 **WHEREAS, a Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado, an enrolled O'odham in Mexico member who is thirty-**
2 **two weeks pregnant, presented herself to the Sells Clinic with pain in her stomach;**
3 **and**
- 4 **WHEREAS, Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado was referred to Tucson Medical Center as an extreme**
5 **emergency case; and**
- 6 **WHEREAS, Tucson Medical Center is calling to find out who is going to pay the medical bills and**
7 **if the medical bill is not paid then she will be transferred to a Hermosillo, Mexico**
8 **hospital; and**
- 9 **WHEREAS, in a meeting with the Health and Human Service Oversight and the Legislative**
10 **Chairman questions were asked as to payment and response of SSU to patient**
11 **presenting themselves (for medical services); and**
- 12 **WHEREAS, the Executive Director explained that Federal laws requires that Indian Health**
13 **Services must comply with Emergency Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA); and**
- 14 **WHEREAS, the Emergency Treatment and Active Labor Act provides patients the right to a**
15 **medical assessment, stabilization and transfer to an appropriate medical facility**
16 **when deemed necessary regardless of a patient's ability to pay for services; and**
- 17 **WHEREAS, O'odham patients in need of emergency medical services at the Sells Service Unit are**
18 **transferred to other medical facilities in Tucson or Phoenix, regardless of ability to**
19 **pay; and**
- 20 **WHEREAS, O'odham patients residing on or near the reservation can often qualify for third party**
21 **payer services such as Medicare, Medicaid, AHCCCS or Contract Health Services; and**
- 22 **WHEREAS, O'odham patients residing in Mexico or outside of the Contract Health Service**
23 **Delivery area do not qualify for third party payer services; and**
- 24 **WHEREAS, Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado is in a high risk situation due to her pregnancy with gall-**
25 **bladder inflammation and has not had surgery; and**
- 26 **WHEREAS, a consensus has been reached that Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado needed to be assisted**
27 **to prevent possible death of her or her baby.**
- 28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council approves:**
- 29 **1. Paying Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado medical bill of \$20,000.00, including**
30 **transportation of Ms. Yara Velasco Preciado to Phoenix Indian Medical Center**

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and other additional needs.

- 2. Funds to pay for medical and medical transportation be allocated out of Nation's general fund.


The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 09TH Day of MARCH, 2001 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,165.5 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (d)(2) of Article VI 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

13th day of March, 20 01

ATTEST:


Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

09 day of March, 20 01.

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 13th day of March, 20 01 at 3:51 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

APPROVED

on the 15th day of March, 20 01

DISAPPROVED

at 9:06 o'clock, A.M.


EDWARD D. MANUEL, Chairman
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 15th day of

March, 2007, at 2:20 o'clock, p.M.

Julianna Saraficio
Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVAL OF PAYMENT FOR HOSPITALIZATION AND TRANSPORTATION FOR YARA VELASCO PRECIADO

MOVED: COUNCILMAN CAMILLUS LOPEZ

SECOND: COUNCILMAN TONY BURRELL

DATE: MARCH 09, 2001

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			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			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			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	2,165.5	-0-	-0-	[04]

**PASSED VOTES