

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Supporting the Creation of Tribal Co-chairs to the Regional Workgroups of the
Border XXI Framework)

RESOLUTION NO. 02-327

1 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the power to manage, protect,**
2 **and preserve the property, wildlife, water, land, air, and natural and cultural**
3 **resources of the Tohono O'odham Nation (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham**
4 **Nation, Article VI, Section 1(i)(2), and Articles XVI, XVII, and XVIII); and**

5 **WHEREAS, in order to exercise these authorities, the Council may "consult, negotiate and**
6 **conclude agreements and contacts on behalf of the Tohono O'odham Nation with**
7 **Federal, State and local governments and other Indian Tribes or their departments,**
8 **agencies, or political subdivisions" (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation,**
9 **Article VI, Section 1(f)); and**

10 **WHEREAS, the Nation has been an active participant in the Border XXI Project, which is**
11 **designed to coordinate environmental management along the U.S. - Mexico border**
12 **by tribal, state, municipal, and federal entities; and**

13 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council has formally endorsed the "Coordination Principles Between**
14 **the Border XXI National Coordinators and the U.S. and Mexican Border States and**
15 **U.S. Tribes for the Border XXI Program," which recognized the right of sovereign U.S.**
16 **Indian Tribes to participate in the Border XXI Program with the federal and state**
17 **governments (Resolution No. 2000-049); and**

18 **WHEREAS, the United States and Mexico have proposed a new structure for the Border**
19 **Environmental Program, which would be comprised of regional and border-wide**
20 **workgroups chaired by federal and state officials, and**

21 **WHEREAS, as part of this restructuring, a Framework Drafting Committee will be established,**
22 **comprised of federal, state and tribal representatives; and**

23 **WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 02-315, the Legislative Council nominated Councilwoman**
24 **Shirley Molina to be the tribal representative to the Drafting Committee; and**

25 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation believes that the creation of Tribal Co-Chair positions**
26 **on the Regional Workgroups are essential to fully recognize the sovereignty of the**
27 **U.S. tribes and to ensure that tribal needs and priorities are voiced in the new Border**
28 **Environmental Program; and**

29 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation recognizes that the diversity of government structures,**
30 **resources, population and environmental priorities necessitates that the tribes in**

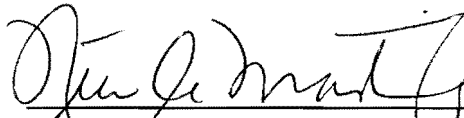
1 each region be given the flexibility to implement the Co-Chair positions in an
2 appropriate manner.

3 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council
4 hereby strongly supports the concept of Tribal Co-Chairs on the Regional
5 Workgroups of the Border XXI framework, provided that appropriate flexibility is
6 allowed.

7 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Legislative Council hereby nominates
8 Councilwoman Shirley Molina as a Tribal Co-Chair on the Border XXI Arizona-Sonora
9 Regional Workgroup.


10 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 15th. Day
11 of JULY, 2002 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,417.5 FOR; -0- AGAINST;
12 -0- NOT VOTING; and [07] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (f)(i)(2)
13 of Article VI and Articles XVI, XVII & XVIII of the Constitution of the Tohono O'Odham Nation,
14 adopted by the Tohono O'Odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy
15 Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act
16 of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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20 TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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24 Rita A. Martinez, Legislative Chairwoman

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26 16th day of July, 2002

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32 Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

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34 16th day of July, 2002.

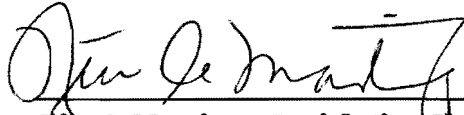
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38 Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham
39 Nation on the 16th day of July, 2002 at 2:51 o'clock, P.M.,
40 pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective
41 upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of
42 submittal.

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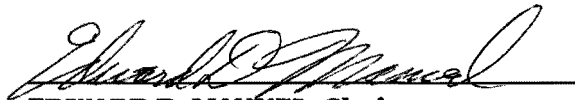
Rita A. Martinez, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 17th day of July, 20 02

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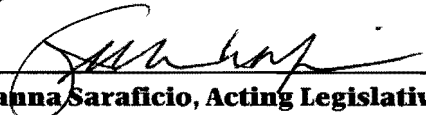
at 8:30 o'clock, A..M.



EDWARD D. MANUEL, Chairman
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 17th day of

July, 20 02, at 9:55 o'clock, A..M.



Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

ACTION: SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF TRIBAL CO-CHAIRS TO THE REGIONAL WORKGROUPS OF THE BORDER XXI FRAMEWORK

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN FERN SALCIDO

SECOND: COUNCILMAN DENNIS RAMON

DATE: JULY 15, 2002

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 317.7	1. FRANCES MIGUEL ()	158.85	X			X
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (Lucilda Norris-Valenzuela)	158.85	X			
CHUKUT KUK 248.1	1. KENNETH WILLIAMS (Juanita Homer)	124.05	X			X
	2. DAVID GARCIA (Mary Audrey Juan)	124.05	X			
GU ACHI 230.7	1. CAMILLUS LOPEZ ()	115.35	X			
	2. ALEX J. RAMON (Jerome Joaquin)	115.35	X			X
GU VO 188.3	1. FERN SALCIDO ()	94.15	X			
	2. EMILIO LEWIS (Michael Flores)	94.15	X			
HICKIWAN 167.3	1. SHIRLEY MOLINA ()	83.65	X			X
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	83.65	X			
PISINEMO 174.7	1. BARBARA SALVICIO (Alex Antone)	87.35	X			
	2. PATRICIA CRUZ (Johnson Jose)	87.35	X			
SAN LUCY 160.7	1. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. (John W. Lawson, Sr.)	80.35	X			X
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	80.35	X			
SAN XAVIER 184.7	1. FELICIA NUNEZ ()	92.35	X			
	2. DENNIS RAMON ()	92.35	X			
SCHUK TOAK 144.5	1. MARY FLORES ()	72.25	X			
	2. AMBROSE ENCINAS (Frances B. Conde(Francisco))	72.25	X			X
SELLS 416.1	1. DENNIS E. JOSE ()	208.05	X			X
	2. EVELYN JUAN ()	208.05	X			
SIF OIDAK 184.7	1. ISIDRO LOPEZ ()	92.35	X			
	2. RITA MARTINEZ (Nicholas Jose)	92.35	X			
TOTAL		2,417.5	2,417.5	-0-	-0-	[07]

**PASSED VOTES