

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Tohono O'odham Nation Position and Recommendation on Tucson Area Indian
Health Service Master Plan)**

RESOLUTION NO. 04-335

- 1 **WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service was directed by the United States Congress to develop a**
2 **system that prioritized Indian Health Care Facility and Services needs different from**
3 **the “Priority List”; and**
- 4 **WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service requested that the Facility Appropriations Advisory Board,**
5 **(FAAB), develop and recommend an alternative to address unmet needs of American**
6 **Indian/Alaska Natives as referenced in Public Law 106-113; Title I Fiscal Year 2000**
7 **Appropriations; and**
- 8 **WHEREAS, the recommendation accepted by Indian Health Service was to develop a “Health**
9 **Services Master Plan”; and**
- 10 **WHEREAS, the Tucson Area Indian Health Service consulted and contracted services from the**
11 **INNOVA group for data analysis and planning purposes; and**
- 12 **WHEREAS, the INNOVA group has presented preferred and alternative recommendations for**
13 **long term facility and service delivery in the Tucson Area to the Tucson Area Indian**
14 **Health Service, the Tucson Area Urban Health Center, the Pasqua Yaqui Tribe, the**
15 **Tohono O'odham Department of Human Services, the Tohono O'odham Executive**
16 **Office and the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council; and**
- 17 **WHEREAS, the current “Hospital and Clinic” appropriation for the Tohono O'odham health care**
18 **delivery system under the Sells Service Unit includes the Sells hospital, the San Xavier**
19 **Clinic, Santa Rosa Clinic and Westside Health Station; and**
- 20 **WHEREAS, the “Contract Health Service” appropriation for Tohono O'odham health care is**
21 **exclusive to Tohono O'odham tribal members; and**
- 22 **WHEREAS, third party revenues generated through services provided to those utilizing the Sells**
23 **Service Unit shall be exclusive to the users of the Sells Service Unit; and**
- 24 **WHEREAS, the Health Service Master Plan focuses solely on delivery on services and does not**
25 **address the funding sources and financial data to make an informed decision on**
26 **behalf of the Tohono O'odham Nation; and**
- 27 **WHEREAS, a primary concern is that no further Tohono O'odham Healthcare services be**
28 **negatively impacted or eroded; and**

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1 **WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service's own study on health disparities titled, "Level of Need**
2 **Funding", clearly indicated that members of the Tohono O'odham Nation have an**
3 **average per capita health care expenditure below the sixty percent level in**
4 **comparison to other federally recognized tribes; and**

5 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation's own assessment, titled, "Community Health**
6 **Assessment", acknowledges the need for added services to address the health status**
7 **and health priorities of the Tohono O'odham; and**


8 **WHEREAS, the preferred recommendation has the potential to erode health care resources from**
9 **the Tohono O'odham and has the recommendation to address a top health priority**
10 **of the O'odham by including a Residential Treatment Health Care Center.**

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that:**

- 12 **1. Alternative Scenario #1 Tohono O'odham Nation Asset Area Wide Opportunity is**
13 **accepted by the Tucson Area Indian Health Service as the sole recommendation.**
- 14 **2. That the Behavioral Treatment Center included in the Area Wide**
15 **Recommendation be transferred to Alternative Scenario #1 Tohono O'odham**
16 **Nation Asset.**
- 17 **3. The Sells Service Unit not be divisible from the current status to enhance other**
18 **service delivery systems.**
- 19 **4. Tucson Area Office and the Tucson Area Director, Mr. Taylor Satala support and**
20 **advocate for the Tohono O'odham Nation in the above directives.**

21 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 19TH Day**
22 **of JULY, 2004 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,629.7 FOR; -0- AGAINST;**
23 **-0- NOT VOTING; and [-0-] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (c)(2),**
24 **(f) & (j) of Article VI of the Constitution of the Tohono O'Odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono**
25 **O'Odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary -**
26 **Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48**
27 **Stat. 984).**

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29 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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31 *for* 
32 **Isidro Lopez, Legislative Chairman**

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34 21st day of July, 2004

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1 **ATTEST:**

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3 Rosita N. Ruiz
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5 **Rosita N. Ruiz, Legislative Secretary**

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7 21 day of July, 2004.
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9 **Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairwoman of the Tohono**
10 **O'odham Nation on the 21st day of July, 2004 at 1:44 o'clock,**
11 **P.M., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become**
12 **effective upon her approval or upon her failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours**
13 **of submittal.**

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15 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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18 for Isidro Lopez
19 **for Isidro Lopez, Legislative Chairman**
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23 **APPROVED**

on the 22 day of July, 2004

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25 **DISAPPROVED**

at 11:35 o'clock, A.M.

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28 Vivian Juan-Saunders
29 **VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS, CHAIRWOMAN**
30 **TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION**
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34 **Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 22 day of**

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36 July, 2004, at 12:39 o'clock, P.M.

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38 Rosita N. Ruiz
39 **Rosita N. Ruiz, Legislative Secretary**
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ACTION: TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION POSITION AND RECOMMENDATION ON TUCSON AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE MASTER PLAN

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA CRUZ

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN SANDRA ORTEGA

DATE: JULY 19, 2004

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 192.6	1. ISIDRO LOPEZ (Nicholas Jose)	96.30	X			
	2. DARLENE ANDREW (Rita Martinez)	96.30	X			
SELLS 465.6	1. DENNIS E. JOSE ()	232.80	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN ()	232.80	X			
SCHUK TOAK 176.1	1. FRANCES B. CONDE ()	88.05	X			
	2. PHYLLIS JUAN ()	88.05	X			
SAN XAVIER 215.4	1. FELICIA NUÑEZ (Olivia Liston-Villegas)	107.70	X			
	2. DENNIS RAMON (Eleanor Hunter)	107.70	X			
SAN LUCY 166.3	1. JOHN W. LAWSON, SR. ()	83.15	X			
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	83.15	X			
PISINEMO 175.4	1. BARBARA SALVICIO ()	87.70	X			
	2. PATRICIA CRUZ ()	87.70	X			
HICKIWAN 170.3	1. DELMA GARCIA (Mary E. Sam)	85.15	X			
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	85.15	X			
GU VO 191.4	1. RAYMOND VICTOR ()	95.70	X			
	2. MICHAEL FLORES (Willard Manuel)	95.70	X			
GU ACHI 253.6	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Jonas Robles)	126.80	X			
	2. JEROME JOAQUIN (Absent) (Roberta Picard) (Present)	126.80	X			
CHUKUT KUK 258.9	1. KENNETH WILLIAMS (Juanita Homer)	129.45	X			
	2. VERLON M. JOSE (David Garcia)	129.45	X			
BABOQUIVARI 364.1	1. FRANCES MIGUEL (Lucilda Norris-Valenzuela)	182.05	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE ()	182.05	X			
TOTAL		2,629.7	2,629.7	-0-	-0-	-0-

**PASSED VOTES