LEGISLATIVE ORDER OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (Granting Election Board's Motion to Dismiss Sif Oidak District Schedule Appeal)

LEGISLATIVE ORDER NO. 05-202

1	WHEREAS,	Article VI, Section 3(B) of the Election Ordinance provides that a district council may
2		adjust it's schedule of representatives provided it "certif[ies] the adjusted schedule
3		to the Election Board at least ninety (90) days before the general election"; and
4	WHEREAS,	Article VI, Section 3(B) further provides that "any member of the nation residing in
5		a district, may appeal such a district's schedule to the Tohono O'odham Council at
6		least sixty (60) days prior to the election. The Tohono O'odham Council shall, if
7		necessary, call a special meeting to decide such appeals, and its decision shall be
8		final."; and
9	WHEREAS,	on March 14, 2001, more than 60 days prior to the Nation's May 28, 2005 General
10		Election, Chuichu community representatives ("Appellants") appealed the proposed
11		adjustment to the Sif Oidak District's schedule of representatives to add one
12		additional Chuichu community representative and, specifically, appealed the
13		Election Board's denial of the proposed adjustment (collectively, "Appeal"); and
14	WHEREAS,	on April 5, 2005, the Legislative Council adopted Legislative Order No. 05-163, setting
15		a hearing for April 14, 2005 to consider the Appeal and also adopting rules for the
16		conduct of the hearing; and
17	WHEREAS,	a copy of Legislative Order No. 05-163, the hearing rules, notice of the hearing,
18		Appeal statement and documents, and Sif Oidak District Chairperson's response
19		letter were personally served on the Appellants, Sif Oidak District Chairperson and
20		Election Board Chairperson; and
21	WHEREAS,	on April 13, 2005 the Election Board, through its counsel Assistant Attorney General
22		Veronica Geronimo, filed a motion to dismiss the Appeal on grounds that (1) the
23		issue is not appealable under the Tohono O'odham Uniform Election Ordinance and
24		(2) the Election Board is barred by the Election Ordinance from adjusting deadlines
25		established by the Election Ordinance and published in the Election Schedule; and

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1	WHEREAS, at the district schedule appeal hearing on April 14, 2005, the Election Board, Distri	ict						
2	and Appellants each presented their arguments on the Election Board's motion	to						
3	dismiss.							
4	NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Counc	cil						
5	that the Election Board's motion to dismiss the Sif Oidak District schedule appe	al						
6	is granted and the Appellant's Appeal hereby dismissed.							
7 8 9 10 11 12 13	The foregoing Order was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 14^{TH} . Day of <u>APRIL</u> , 2005 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,406.6 FOR; 223.1 AGAINST; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (g) of Article VI and Section 7 of Article X 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).							
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ACTION: GRANTING ELECTION BOARD'S MOTION TO DISMISS SIF OIDAK DISTRICT SCHEDULE APPEAL

DATE: APRIL 14, 2005

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENI
SIF OIDAK	1. ISIDRO LOPEZ	96.30		x	
192.6	(Nicholas Jose) 2. DARLENE ANDREW (Rita Martinez)	96.30	х		
SELLS	1. DENNIS E. JOSE	232.80	X		
465.6	() 2. EVELYN JUAN ()	232.80	х		
SCHUK TOAK	1. FRANCES B. CONDE	88.05	x		
176.1	2. PHYLLIS JUAN	88.05	x		
SAN XAVIER	1. FELICIA NUÑEZ	107.70	x		
215.4	(Olivia Liston-Villegas) 2. DENNIS RAMON (Eleanor Hunter)	107.70	х		
SAN LUCY	1. JOHN W. LAWSON, SR.	83.15	x		x
166.3	() 2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	83.15	х		
PISINEMO	1. BARBARA SALVICIO	87.70	х		
175.4	() 2. PATRICIA CRUZ ()	87.70	х		
HICKIWAN	1. DELMA GARCIA	85.15	x		
170.3	(Mary E. Sam) 2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	85.15	x		
GU VO	1. RAYMOND VICTOR	95.70	x		
191.4	() 2. MICHAEL FLORES (Willard Manuel)	95.70	X		
GU ACHI	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Jonas Robles)	126.80	x		
	2. JEROME JOAQUIN (Roberta Picard)	126.80		x	
CHUKUT KUK	1. KENNETH WILLIAMS	129.45	x		x
258.9	(Juanita Homer) 2. VERLON M. JOSE (David Garcia)	129.45	X		
BABOQUIVARI	1. FRANCES MIGUEL	182.05	x		
364.1	(Lucilda Norris-Valenzuela) 2. FRANCES G. ANTONE	182.05	x		
	TOTAL	2,629.7	2,406.6	223.1	[02]