

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Support of the Position Paper on the Stafford Act Refinements Addressing Deficiencies
That Affect Tribes)**

RESOLUTION NO. 08-182

1 **WHEREAS, Article XVIII of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation sets out the Council's**
2 **continuing responsibility to assure for all members safe and healthful surroundings;**
3 **and**

4 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation has taken steps to prevent, prepare, respond and recover**
5 **from all types of hazards that result in disasters or emergencies; and**

6 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation has taken an active role in reviewing and making**
7 **recommendations for change of Federal laws that negatively or adversely affect the**
8 **Tohono O'odham Nation and other tribal governments; and**

9 **WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has established a National**
10 **Advisory Council that will be addressing various issues that surround emergency**
11 **management and has requested position papers and other documents on such issues;**
12 **and**

13 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation recognizes that the Robert T. Stafford Act has severe**
14 **deficiencies that adversely and negatively affect tribes and requires major**
15 **refinements to bring the Federal Government in compliance with its own mandates**
16 **and laws; and**

17 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation Executive Office of the Chairman has prepared a position**
18 **paper that opposes language set forth in the current Stafford Act, cites several**
19 **deficiencies with the Stafford Act and makes recommendations for change that would**
20 **be beneficial and more accurate for the Tohono O'odham Nation and other tribal**
21 **governments.**

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council hereby supports**
23 **the Tohono O'odham Nation Executive Office of the Chairman's position paper calling**
24 **for Stafford Act refinements addressing deficiencies that affect tribes, and approves**
25 **and adopts the position as the official position of the Tohono O'odham Nation.**

26 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10TH. Day**
27 **of APRIL, 2008 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,534.5 FOR; -0- AGAINST;**
28 **-0- NOT VOTING; and [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (f) and**
29 **(j) of Article VI of the Constitution of the Tohono O'Odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono**
30 **O'Odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary -**
31 **Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48**
32 **Stat. 984).**

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TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Verlon Jose
Verlon M. Jose, Legislative Chairman

10 day of April, 2008

ATTEST:

Lucille Lopez
Lucille Lopez, Acting Legislative Secretary

10 day of April, 2008.

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 10 day of April, 2008 at 2:07 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

Verlon Jose
Verlon M. Jose, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED on the 10 day of April, 2008

DISAPPROVED at 2:15 o'clock, P.M.

Ned Norris, Jr.
VICE CHAIRMAN
NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 10 day of

April, 2008, at 2:18 o'clock, P.M.

Lucille Lopez
Lucille Lopez, Acting Legislative Secretary

ACTION: SUPPORT OF THE POSITION PAPER ON THE STAFFORD ACT REFINEMENTS ADDRESSING DEFICIENCIES THAT AFFECT TRIBES

MOVED: COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY JOAQUIN

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN CYNTHIA MANUEL

DATE: APRIL 10, 2008

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 316.9	1. FRANCES MIGUEL (Roberta Harvey)	158.45	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (Vernon Smith)	158.45	X			
CHUKUT KUK 264.8	1. ETHEL GARCIA ()	132.40	X			
	2. VERLON M. JOSE ()	132.40	X			
GU ACHI 227.9	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Louis L. Johnson)	113.95	X			
	2. CYNTHIA E. MANUEL ()	113.95	X			
GU VO 199.2	1. GRACE MANUEL ()	99.60	X			
	2. MICHAEL FLORES ()	99.60	X			X
HICKIWAN 172.0	1. MICHELLE ORTEGA ()	86.00	X			X
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	86.00	X			
PISINEMO 182.4	1. CHESTER ANTONE ()	91.20	X			
	2. GERALD FAYUANT ()	91.20	X			X
SAN LUCY 181.1	1. LORRAINE EILER ()	90.55	X			
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	90.55	X			
SAN XAVIER 196.5	1. FELICIA NUÑEZ (Adam P. Andrews)	98.25	X			X
	2. OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON (Eileen A. Estrada-Lopez)	98.25	X			
SCHUK TOAK 154.6	1. FRANCES B. CONDE (Frederick Jose)	77.30	X			
	2. PHYLLIS CACHORA (Agnes Joaquin)	77.30	X			
SELLS 444.7	1. KIMBERLY LISTO ()	222.35	X			
	2. EVELYN B. JUAN MANUEL ()	222.35	X			
SIF OIDAK 194.4	1. WAVALENE ROMERO ()	97.20	X			
	2. MARY LOPEZ ()	97.20	X			
TOTAL		2,534.5	2,534.5	-0-	-0-	[04]

**PASSED VOTES