

**LEGISLATIVE ORDER OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Disallowing Radio Broadcasts of Legislative Council Session Preceding a General Election)**

LEGISLATIVE ORDER NO. 15-095

1 **WHEREAS,** the Legislative Council is vested with the power "To establish rules and
2 procedures to regulate all meetings of the Tohono O'odham Council, standing
3 committees, boards and special committees." (Constitution of the Tohono
4 O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(a)); and

5 **WHEREAS,** Article I, Section 2(B)(3) of the Legislative Rules of the Tohono O'odham
6 Legislative Council, provides that, "The Nation's radio station may broadcast any
7 session unless the Legislative Council disallows it. Other media may only
8 broadcast a session if authorized by a majority or consensus of the Legislative
9 Council."; and

10 **WHEREAS,** it is essential to balance the public's interest in being informed and having an
11 accountable and transparent government with the risk of providing incumbent
12 officeholders who are running for re-election an unfair advantage; and

13 **WHEREAS,** the Rules Committee recommends that Legislative Council sessions not be
14 broadcast on the O'odham Hewel Ñi'oki network for a period preceding general
15 elections beginning with the May 2015 general election.

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that Legislative
17 Council sessions shall not be broadcast on O'odham Hewel Ñi'oki network for 30
18 days before a Nation's general election; provided that this position shall remain
19 in effect until amended by a majority vote of the Council

20 The foregoing Order was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 07TH day of
21 APRIL, 2015 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,329.2 FOR; 617.3
22 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [03] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by
23 Article VI, Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the
24 Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant
25 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of
26 June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

28 TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

29 
30 Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

31 22 day of April, 2015

37 **ATTEST:**

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39 Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

40 21 day of April, 2015

ACTION: DISALLOWING RADIO BROADCASTS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION PRECEDING A GENERAL ELECTION
MOVED: COUNCILMAN QUINTIN C. LOPEZ **SECOND:** COUNCILWOMAN LORETTA LEWIS
DATE: APRIL 07, 2015

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF Oidak 224.2	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Nicholas Jose)	112.1	X			
	2. MARY LOPEZ ()	112.1	X			
SELLS 502.0	1. ARTHUR WILSON (Ophelia Patten)	251.0		X		
	2. BARBARA HAVIER (Beverly Rivas)	251.0	X			
SCHUK TOAK 174.2	1. FRANCES B. STEPHENS (Anthony J. Rios)	87.1	X			X
	2. QUINTIN C. LOPEZ (John Fendenheim)	87.1	X			
SAN XAVIER 224.2	1. HILARION CAMPUS (Daniel L.A. Preston III)	112.1	X			
	2. RACHEAL WILSON-STONER <i>(Absent)</i> (Olivia Villegas-Liston) <i>(Present)</i>	112.1	X			X
SAN LUCY 219.6	1. DIANA MANUEL (Gloria Ramirez)	109.8	X			
	2. JANA MONTANA ()	109.8	X			
PISINEMO 210.6	1. CHESTER ANTONE (Tony Murrietta)	105.3	X			
	2. EDWARD MANUEL, SR. ()	105.3	X			
HICKIWAN 196.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ ()	98.45		X		
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA <i>(Absent)</i> (Manuel Osequeda, Jr.) <i>(Present)</i>	98.45		X		X
HIA CED 19.6	1. PATRICK ANDREWS (Janice E. Paul)	9.8		X		
	2. VIRGINIA GARCIA ()	9.8	X			
GU VO 241.0	1. GRACE MANUEL (Floyd Flores)	120.5	X			
	2. PAMELA ANGHILL (Jeffery Antone, Sr.)	120.5	X			
GU ACHI 257.3	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN ()	128.65	X			
	2. LORETTA LEWIS (Louis Johnson)	128.65	X			
CHUKUT KUK 319.2	1. ETHEL GARCIA (Marlakay C. Henry)	159.6	X			
	2. BILLMAN LOPEZ ()	159.6		X		
BABOQUIVARI 357.7	1. FRANCES MIGUEL (Roberta Harvey)	178.85	X			
	2. VERNON J. SMITH (Gloria Zazueta)	178.85	X			
TOTAL		2,946.5	2,329.2	617.3	-0-	[03]