RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

(Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Loan Agreement between the Tohono O'odham Farming Authority, as Borrower, and Bank of America, N.A., as Lender)

DEFEATED RESOLUTION NO. 22-040

1	WHEREAS,	the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized to "consult, negotiate and
2		conclude agreements and contracts on behalf of the Tohono O'odham Nation"
3		(Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(f)); and
4	WHEREAS,	the Tohono O'odham Farming Authority ("TOFA") is the Tohono O'odham Nation's
5		("Nation") enterprise authorized to operate the San Lucy, Schuk Toak, and Vaiva
6		Vo Farms on behalf of the Nation; and
7	WHEREAS,	TOFA is responsible for promoting the economic development and general
8		welfare of the Nation and its members by profitably developing the agricultural
9		resources of the Nation, pursuant to Paragraph 3.1 of TOFA's Second Restated
10		Plan of Operation (2 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 1); and
11	WHEREAS,	the Nation's sovereign immunity, which extends to the Nation's districts,
12		enterprises, entities and the officials, employees, and agents thereof, cannot be
13		waived except by a resolution or other official action of the Tohono O'odham
14		Legislative Council expressly waiving, or authorizing a waiver of, sovereign
15		immunity (Section 2101, 1 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 2); and
16	WHEREAS,	by Resolution No. 20-028, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approved a
17		loan transaction by and between Bank of America, N.A. ("Lender") and TOFA (also
18		referred to herein as "Borrower") (i) amending and restating a 2013 line of credit
19		in the maximum available principal amount of Six Million and No/100 Dollars
20		(\$6,000,000.00) (the "TOFA Line of Credit"), and (ii) providing TOFA a term loan in
21		the principal amount of Three Million and No/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) (the
22		"TOFA Term Loan", which together with the TOFA Line of Credit are collectively
23		referred to herein as the "2020 TOFA Loans"), as evidenced by that certain Loan
24		Agreement by and between Lender and Borrower, dated January 27, 2020 (the
25		"2020 Loan Agreement"); and
26	WHEREAS,	as evidenced by the Security Agreement ("Multiple Use") by and between Lender
27		and Borrower, dated January 27, 2020 (the "Security Agreement"), the payments
28		and performances due under the 2020 Loan Agreement are secured by, among
29		other things, (a) Borrower's grant to Lender of a security interest in and lien on (i)
30		all inventory, including all materials, work in process and finished goods, and (ii)
31		all machinery, furniture, fixtures and other equipment of every type now owned
32		or hereafter acquired by the Borrower (excluding any property of the Borrower in

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1		which the John Deere Co., or its affiliates, has a security interest, or any property
2		subsequently purchased by the Borrower from and financed by John Deere Co.)
3		(collectively, the "TOFA Collateral"); and
4	WHEREAS,	as a condition of the 2020 TOFA Loans, the Nation entered into a Pledge Agreement
5		securing the 2020 TOFA Loans with the Nation's account (Account No. 1067506
6		TON-SAWRSA TRUST) maintained with the Lender (the "2020 Pledge Agreement,
7		which together with the 2020 TOFA Loan Agreement, the 2020 Security Agreement
8		and other related loan documents executed in connection therewith, are
9		collectively referred to herein as the "2020 TOFA Loan Documents"); and
10	WHEREAS,	by Resolution No. 20-028, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approved the
11		limited waiver of TOFA's sovereign immunity, as set forth in the 2020 TOFA Loan
12		Documents; and
13	WHEREAS,	the 2020 Pledge Agreement included a limited waiver of the Nation's sovereign
14		immunity in favor of Lender to allow the 2020 TOFA Pledge Agreement to be
15		enforced in accordance with its terms; and
16	WHEREAS,	the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents generally require the arbitration of any disputes;
17		and
18	WHEREAS;	the Nation has not enacted a version of the Uniform Commercial Code, an
19		arbitration act, or similar laws of the sort that typically would govern complex
20		commercial transactions of the nature contemplated in the 2020 TOFA Loan
21		Documents, nor do the Nation's Constitution, laws, or customs address the
22		interpretation and enforcement of transactions such as those contemplated in
23		the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents; and
24	WHEREAS,	Lender conditioned its willingness to provide the 2020 TOFA Loans on having the
25		2020 TOFA Loan Documents interpreted and enforced under the substantive
26		provisions of Arizona law, including applicable provisions of Arizona's version of
27		the Uniform Commercial Code, so the Lender could be assured that the 2020 TOFA
28		Loan Documents will be interpreted and enforced in accordance with their
29		terms; and
30	WHEREAS,	the maturity date of the 2020 TOFA Loans is January 1, 2022; and
31	WHEREAS,	due to the ongoing need for financing to fund TOFA operations, crop production,
32		infrastructure improvements and repairs, TOFA has negotiated with Lender a 6-
33		month extension of the 2020 TOFA Loans, extending the maturity date of the 2020
34		TOFA Loans to July 1, 2022, while TOFA works on securing financing from a new
35		lender; and

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2 WHEREAS, on January 13, 2022, the TOFA Board enacted a Resolution (a) approving an 3 Amendment No. 1 to Loan Agreement ("Amendment 1") extending the maturity 4 date of the 2020 TOFA Loans to July 1, 2022, (b) reaffirming TOFA's respective 5 obligations and enforceability against TOFA of the terms and conditions as set forth in the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents, (c) approving the governing law and 6 7 dispute resolution provisions of Amendment No. 1, as incorporated therein from 8 the 2020 TOFA Loan Agreement, which includes TOFA's limited waiver of 9 sovereign immunity, subject to the Nation's Legislative Council authorizing and 10 approving the limited waiver of TOFA's sovereign immunity, and (d) reaffirming TOFA's grant to the Lender of a first priority lien, covering the TOFA Collateral, as 11 defined in the Loan Agreement, and the security interests granted by TOFA 12 pursuant to the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents to secure TOFA's obligations under 13 14 the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents (the TOFA Board Resolution is attached hereto as 15 Attachment I); and

the Agricultural and Natural Resources, Budget and Finance, and Water 16 WHEREAS, 17 Resources Committees of the Legislative Council reviewed: (a) Amendment No. 1 18 extending the maturity date of the 2020 TOFA Loans to July 1, 2022, (b) the Nation's 19 limited waiver of sovereign immunity in favor of Lender to allow the 2020 Pledge Agreement to be enforced in accordance with its terms, (c) TOFA's limited waiver 20 21 of sovereign immunity to allow TOFA to enter into the Amendment No. 1 with Lender, to allow Amendment No. 1 and the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents to be 22 23 enforced in accordance with their terms; and (d) the Nation's obligations under 24 the 2020 Pledge Agreement and the enforceability of the terms and conditions set 25 forth in the 2020 Pledge Agreement and the Agricultural and Natural Resources 26 and Water Resources Committees recommend approval; and

27WHEREAS,the Nation's best interests will be served by (a) TOFA extending its financing with28Lender for 6 months, in accordance with the terms of Amendment No. 1 and the292020 TOFA Loan Documents, with those agreements being able to be enforced in30accordance with their terms; (2) the Nation reaffirming the security interest31granted by the Nation in the Pledge Agreement securing the 2020 TOFA Loans; and32(3) the Nation granting the requested limited waivers of sovereign immunity in33favor of Lender; and

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1	WHEREAS,	capitalized terms used in this Resolution and its Exhibits, but not defined in this
2		Resolution or the Exhibits, have the meanings set forth in the 2020 TOFA Loan
3		Documents.
4	NOW, THERI	FORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves and
5		authorizes the following:
6		1. Extension of 2020 TOFA Loans. The Nation consents to Amendment No. 1 to
7		the TOFA Loan Agreement, extending the maturity dates of the 2020 TOFA
8		Loans by six months to July 1, 2022, and affirms that the 2020 TOFA Loan
9		Documents are valid, binding and enforceable.
10		2. Limited Waiver of TOFA's Immunity. The Nation grants an extension of the
11		limited waiver of TOFA's sovereign immunity in favor of Lender to enable
12		TOFA to enter into the Amendment No. 1 to the 2020 TOFA Loan Agreement.
13		3. Reaffirmation of the 2020 Pledge Agreement. The Nation reaffirms its
14		obligations under the 2020 Pledge Agreement and reaffirms the
15		enforceability of the terms and conditions as set forth in the 2020 TOFA
16		Pledge Agreement. The Nation's Chairman is authorized to execute a
17		Consent and Reaffirmation of Pledgor to Amendment No. 1 to the 2020
18		TOFA Loan Agreement and to deliver it to Lender on behalf of the Nation,
19		along with any and all other documents, certificates, financing
20		statements, consents, representations, and warranties required in
21		connection with the 2020 Pledge Agreement or the 2020 TOFA Loan
22		Documents, and to take all other actions consistent with this Resolution
23		and necessary to allow TOFA to consummate the extensions of the 2020
24		TOFA Loans with Lender. No further approval, consent, notice, or filing
25		will be required as a matter of Federal law or the Nation's law for the
26		Nation's Chairman to execute and deliver the Consent and Reaffirmation
27		of Pledgor or other documents, certificates, financing statements,
28		consents, representations, and warranties required in connection with
29		the 2020 Pledge Agreement, the 2020 TOFA Loans and/or the 2020 TOFA
30		Loan Documents.
31		4. Limited Waiver of the Nation's Immunity. In connection with the
32		Amendment No. 1 and the 2020 Pledge Agreement, the Nation grants an
33		extension of the Nation's limited waiver of sovereign immunity from suit
34		or action in favor of Lender on the terms set forth in the Amendment No. 1

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1	and the 2020 Pledge Agreement to allow the 2020 Pledge Agreement to be
2	enforced in accordance with its terms.
3	5. The Nation agrees that this Resolution relates solely to the Amendment No.
4	1 and the 2020 TOFA Loan Documents and does not in any manner affect
5	any borrowing heretofore or hereafter made under any other financing
6	arrangement, and that this Resolution shall not serve to revoke or alter
7	any resolutions previously delivered by Nation to Lender and shall not
8	(unless specifically otherwise provided) be revoked by any Resolutions
9	subsequently delivered to Lender relating to other financing
10	arrangements between Lender, the Nation and/or TOFA.
11	7. The Nation agrees that all actions heretofore taken, and all documents
12	heretofore executed by the Authorized Officer in connection with the
13	foregoing Resolutions, are hereby ratified, confirmed, and adopted as the
14	acts and deeds of the Nation and/or TOFA, as the case may be, as of the
15	effective date of this Resolution.
16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	The foregoing Resolution was defeated by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 03 RD day of FEBRUARY, 2021 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,111.45 FOR; 2,106.55 AGAINST; <u>-0</u> . NOT VOTING and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(f) 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).
24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MHUH MA Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman
34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45	ATTEST: Multiple Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary day of, 2020

ACTION: APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOHONO O'ODHAM FARMING AUTHORITY, AS BORROWER, AND BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., AS LENDER

MOVED: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN LUCINDA ALLEN

DATE: FEBRUARY 03, 2022

DISTRICT	ISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSEN
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