

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Supporting the Nomination of Roselyn Tso as Director of Indian Health Service)**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-116

1 **WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with**
2 **the authority to "consult, negotiate and conclude agreements and contracts on**
3 **behalf of the Tohono O'odham Nation with Federal, State and local governments"**
4 **and to "promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals, education**
5 **and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members"**
6 **(Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(f) and Section 1(c)(2)); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service ("IHS"), an agency within the Department of Health and**
8 **Human Services, is responsible for providing federal health care services for**
9 **approximately 2.6 million American Indians and Alaska Natives; and**

10 **WHEREAS, President Joe Biden has nominated Roselyn Tso, a member of the Navajo Nation,**
11 **for Director of the Indian Health Service; and**

12 **WHEREAS, nominee Roselyn Tso currently serves as the Navajo Area Indian Health Service**
13 **Director and previously held the position of Director of the Office of Direct**
14 **Services and Contracting Tribes; she began her career with the Indian Health**
15 **Service in 1984 and held various roles in the Portland Area IHS and IHS**
16 **headquarters, including Portland Area Planning and Statistical Officer, Equal**
17 **Employment Officer, Special Assistant to the Area Director, and Director of the**
18 **Office of Tribal and Service Unit Operations, where in this role she was**
19 **responsible for implementing the Indian Self-Determination and Education**
20 **Assistant Act and worked directly with tribes and direct service tribes; and**

21 **WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services and Appropriations Committees recognize that**
22 **nominee Roselyn Tso is uniquely qualified to serve as the Director of the Indian**
23 **Health Service and recommends supporting her nomination.**

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council supports the**
25 **nomination of Roselyn Tso as Director of Indian Health Service and calls for**
26 **expeditious confirmation hearings in the U.S. Senate.**

27 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 17TH**
28 **day of MARCH, 2022 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,328.3 FOR;**
29 **611.20 AGAINST; 278.5[04] NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
30 **Council by, Article VI, Section 1(f) and Section 1(c)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham**
31 **Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting**
32 **Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section**
33 **16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Timothy Joaquin
Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman
22 day of March, 2022

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary
22 day of March, 2022

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 22 day of March, 2022 at 8:25 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

Timothy Joaquin
Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED on the 22 day of March, 2022
 DISAPPROVED at 8:30 o'clock, P .m.

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

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 22 day of
March, 2022, at 8:34 o'clock, P .m.
Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF ROSELYN TSO AS DIRECTOR OF INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN JANICE FELIX

SECOND: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

DATE: MARCH 17, 2022

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 245.6	1. MARY LOPEZ (Ann M. Garcia)	122.8	X			
	2. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa)	122.8	X			
SELLS 556.5	1. ARTHUR WILSON ()	278.25	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	278.25		X		
SCHUK TOAK 190.5	1. TERESA F. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza)	95.25	X			
	2. DELISA M. RAMON (<i>Absent</i>) (Sharon A. Francisco) (<i>Present</i>)	95.25	X			X
SAN XAVIER 242.6	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner)	121.3	X			
	2. JANICE FELIX (Adam P. Andrews)	121.3	X			
SAN LUCY 243.8	1. JANA MONTANA (Lorraine M. Eiler)	121.9	X			X
	2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	121.9	X			
PISINEMO 232.7	1. MARIETTA MARTIN ()	116.35	X			
	2. EDWARD D. MANUEL (Monica Morgan)	116.35		X		
HICKIWAN 216.6	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ ()	108.3		X	X	
	2. SANDRA D. ORTEGA (<i>Absent</i>) (Delma M. Garcia) (<i>Present</i>)	108.3		X		
GU VO 270.7	1. GRACE MANUEL ()	135.35	X			
	2. CYNTHIA SAAVEDRA (Dallas Lewis)	135.35	X			
GU ACHI 278.5	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN ()	139.25			X	
	2. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	139.25			X	
CHUKUT KUK 351.6	1. MARLAKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez)	175.8	X			X
	2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (<i>Absent</i>) (Cornelius Antone) (<i>Present</i>)	175.8	X			
BABOQUIVARI 388.9	1. ALBERTA J. RAY (Frances G. Antone)	194.45	X			
	2. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling)	194.45	X			
	TOTAL	3,218.0	2,328.30	611.20	278.5 [04]	[02]