

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Geneva Acosta to the Enrollment Committee)**

RESOLUTION NO. 23-253

1 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the power "[t]o provide**
2 **for, appoint, or provide for the appointment of, and prescribe the duties and**
3 **powers of committees, boards, officers and agents" (Constitution of the Tohono**
4 **O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(b)); and**

5 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council has enacted and subsequently amended Ordinance No.**
6 **05-81, the "Enrollment Ordinance," which establishes an Enrollment Committee**
7 **to receive and review all membership applications for enrollment in the Tohono**
8 **O'odham Nation, among other duties and responsibilities (14 T.O.C. Chapter 1 -**
9 **Enrollment Ordinance); and**

10 **WHEREAS, the Enrollment Ordinance provides that the Enrollment Committee "shall be**
11 **composed of five members of the Tohono O'odham Nation who are bilingual in**
12 **the O'odham and English languages" and that the Committee members "shall be**
13 **appointed by the Chairman of the Nation, subject to the approval of the**
14 **[Legislative] Council" (14 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article II, Section 1(A) and 1(B)); and**

15 **WHEREAS, Committee members "shall be appointed for a five-year term, but shall continue**
16 **to serve until the member's successor is appointed. Vacancies shall be filled for**
17 **the unexpired term of that seat on the Committee and appointments shall be**
18 **staggered so that no more than two members' terms shall expire in the same**
19 **year" (14 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article II, Section 1(C)); and**

20 **WHEREAS, the Nation's Chairman Ned Norris, Jr. has appointed Geneva Acosta to the**
21 **Enrollment Committee, subject to Legislative Council approval; and**

22 **WHEREAS, if approved, Geneva Acosta would serve on the Enrollment Committee until**
23 **January 1, 2028, provided that she would continue to serve until replaced by a**
24 **successor who is appointed in accordance with the Enrollment Ordinance.**

25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the**
26 **appointment of Geneva Acosta to the Enrollment Committee upon the effective**
27 **date of this resolution for a term to expire on January 1, 2028, provided that she**
28 **shall continue to serve until her successor has been appointed in accordance**
29 **with the Enrollment Ordinance.**

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1 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 11TH
2 day of JULY, 2023 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,218.0 FOR;
3 -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by,
4 Article VI, Section 1(b) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the
5 Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant
6 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June
7 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).
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9 TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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13 Alberta J. Ray, Legislative Vice Chairwoman

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15 14 day of July, 2023
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19 ATTEST:

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22 Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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24 14 day of July, 2023
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26 Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono
27 O'odham Nation on the 14 day of July, 2023 at 9:13 o'clock, p.m.,
28 pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become
29 effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48
30 hours of submittal.
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32 TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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36 Alberta J. Ray, Legislative Vice Chairwoman

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40 APPROVED

on the 17 day of July, 2023

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42 DISAPPROVED

at 11:16 o'clock, a.m.

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47 NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 17 day of
July, 2023, at 12:02 o'clock, p.m.



Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: APPOINTING GENEVA ACOSTA TO THE ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

MOVED: COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN CYNTHIA SAAVEDRA

DATE: JULY 11, 2023

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 245.6	1. MARY LOPEZ (Ann M. Garcia) 2. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa)	122.8 122.8	X X			
SELLS 556.5	1. ARTHUR WILSON (<i>Absent</i>) (Shelia Espino) (<i>Present</i>) 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	278.25 278.25	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 190.5	1. TERESA F. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco)	95.25 95.25	X X			
SAN XAVIER 242.6	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner) 2. JANICE FELIX ()	121.3 121.3	X X			
SAN LUCY 243.8	1. LORRAINE M. EILER () 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	121.9 121.9	X X			
PISINEMO 232.7	1. MARIETTA MARTIN () 2. EDWARD D. MANUEL (Monica Morgan)	116.35 116.35	X X			X
HICKIWAN 216.6	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ () 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	108.3 108.3	X X			
GU VO 270.7	1. GRACE MANUEL () 2. CYNTHIA SAAVEDRA (Dallas Lewis)	135.35 135.35	X X			
GU ACHI 278.5	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN () 2. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	139.25 139.25	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 351.6	1. MARIKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez) 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	175.8 175.8	X X			
BABOQUIVARI 388.9	1. ALBERTA J. RAY (Frances G. Antone) 2. LEANDER MASE (<i>Absent</i>) (Francine Schooling) (<i>Present</i>)	194.45 194.45	X X			
	TOTAL	3,218.0	3,218.0	-0-	-0-	[01]