

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving FY 2025 General Federal Lobbying Contract with Dentons US LLP)**

RESOLUTION NO. 24-276

1 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council is vested with the power to “consult with the Congress of**
2 **the United States and appropriate federal agencies regarding federal activities**
3 **that affect the Tohono O’odham Nation and all federal appropriation estimates**
4 **and projects for the benefit of the Tohono O’odham Nation before such estimates**
5 **and projects are submitted to Congress and other federal agencies” (Constitution**
6 **of the Tohono O’odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(j)); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council is further vested with the power to “employ legal counsel**
8 **for the protection and advancement of the rights of the Tohono O’odham Nation.”**
9 **(Constitution of the Tohono O’odham Nation, Article VI, Section 2(a)); and**

10 **WHEREAS, it is in the Nation’s interest to employ a lobbyist in Washington, D.C. to effectively**
11 **consult with the Congress and federal agencies; provide advice regarding federal**
12 **appropriations, legislation, and programs; and, when authorized, act as a liaison**
13 **between the Nation and the United States; and**

14 **WHEREAS, the firm of Dentons US LLP is qualified to provide advice and representation as**
15 **the Nation’s federal lobbyist; and**

16 **WHEREAS, a FY 2025 General Federal Lobbying Contract has been negotiated with Dentons**
17 **US LLP, which is incorporated by this reference; and**

18 **WHEREAS, the Appropriations Committee has reviewed the FY 2025 General Federal**
19 **Lobbying Contract and recommends approval.**

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O’odham Legislative Council approves the**
21 **FY 2025 General Federal Lobbying Contract with Dentons US LLP effective October**
22 **1, 2024, to be funded from the FY 2025 Executive Branch Administrative Lobby**
23 **Budget.**

24 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Tohono O’odham Legislative Council authorizes and directs**
25 **the Nation’s chairperson to execute the FY 2025 General Federal Lobbying**
26 **Contract with Dentons US LLP, provided that any amendments are submitted to**
27 **the Legislative Council for prior approval.**

28 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O’odham Legislative Council on the 11TH**
29 **day of SEPTEMBER 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR;**
30 **-0- AGAINST; [02] NOT VOTING; and [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by**
31 **Article VI, Section 1(j), Article VI, Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Tohono O’odham Nation,**
32 **adopted by the Tohono O’odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy**
33 **Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the**
34 **Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**
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TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman
20 day of September, 2024

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary
19 day of September, 2024

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 20 day of September, 2024 at 10:50 o'clock, a .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

Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 23 day of September, 2024

DISAPPROVED

at 10:31 o'clock, p .m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 24 day of
September, 2024, at 9:13 o'clock, a .m.

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: APPROVING FY 2025 GENERAL FEDERAL LOBBYING CONTRACT WITH DENTONS US LLP

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS

SECOND: COUNCILMAN LEANDER MASE

DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling) 2. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1 197.1	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone) 2. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	177.35 177.35	X X			X
GUACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (<i>Absent</i>) (Tonya L. Joaquin) (<i>Present</i>) 2. JEROME F. JOAQUIN ()	141.35 141.35	X X			
GUVO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS () 2. LESLIE LUNA ()	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA () 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25 110.25	X X			
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL () 2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1 118.1	X X			X
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (<i>Absent</i>) (Christina Andrews) (<i>Present</i>) 2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	128.8 128.8	X X			X
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX () 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	122.25 122.25	X X			X
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco) 2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9 95.9	X X		X	
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Arvada Liston) 2. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	279.0 279.0	X X		X	
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA () 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			
	TOTAL	3,263.30	3,263.3	-0-	[02]	[04]