

**LEGISLATIVE ORDER OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Amending Legislative Order No. 23-318 to Certify the Election of Human Resources
Development Committee Chairperson and Water Resources Committee Chairperson)**

LEGISLATIVE ORDER NO. 24-280

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

4 **WHEREAS,** by Legislative Order No. 23-318, the Legislative Council certified the elections of
5 legislative committee members and committee officers to the twelve standing
6 committees in accordance with Article XII, Section 3 of the Legislative Rules; and

7 **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Legislative Rules, Article XII, Section 3(L)(2), "[w]hen a Legislative
8 Council representative leaves office during his or her term, any resulting vacancy
9 on a Legislative Council committee may be filled by seniority preference,
10 provided that a representative's transfer from another committee shall not
11 require a change in a committee's assigned meeting day. Thereafter, any
12 remaining vacancies shall be filled by the representative's successor in office.";
13 and

14 **WHEREAS,** Representative Lucinda Allen resigned her office effective September 9, 2024 and
15 alternate Francis Homewytewa succeeded her as a Legislative Council
16 representative for the Sif Oidak District; and

17 **WHEREAS,** by Legislative Order No. 24-279, the committee vacancies resulting from
18 Representative Lucinda Allen's resignation were filled by Representative Francis
19 Homewytewa in accordance with the Legislative Rules; and

20 **WHEREAS,** prior to the former representative's resignation, Representative Lucinda Allen
21 served as chairperson of the Human Resources Development and Water
22 Resources Committees and those offices became vacant upon her resignation;
23 and

24 **WHEREAS,** legislative committees are empowered to caucus and elect committee officers
25 (Legislative Rules, Article XII, Section 3(J)); and

26 **WHEREAS,** the Human Resources Development did caucus on September 12, 2024 and
27 elected Representative Janice Felix as its chairperson; and

28 **WHEREAS,** the Water Resources Committee did caucus on September 12, 2024 and elected
29 Representative Daniel L.A. Preston, III as its chairperson and Representative
30 DeLisa Ramon as its vice chairperson; and

31 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that it amends
32 Legislative Order No. 23-318 to certify Representative Janice Felix as the

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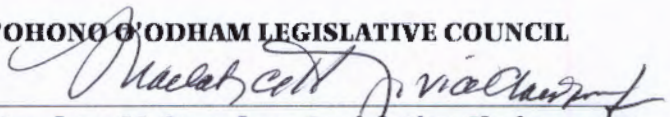
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chairperson of the Human Resources Development Committee and Representative Daniel L.A. Preston as the chairperson and Representative DeLisa Ramon as its vice chairperson of the Water Resources Committee.


The foregoing Order was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 12TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(a) 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).

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL


Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

11th day of October, 2024

ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

21 day of October, 2024

ACTION: AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ORDER NO. 23-318 TO CERTIFY THE ELECTION OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

Moved: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY

SECOND: COUNCILMAN EDWARD D. MANUEL

DATE: OCTOBER 12, 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			
GUACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin) 2. JEROME F. JOAQUIN ()	141.35 141.35	X X			
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS () 2. LESLIE LUNA (Grace Manuel)	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			
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			
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX () 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	122.25 122.25	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			
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston) 2. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	279.0 279.0	X X			
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa) 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			
	TOTAL	3,263.30	3,263.3	-0-	-0-	-0-