

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
(Endorsing Candidates and Establishing Ballot Positions for the 2024 General Election)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-359**

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, on November 5, 2024, the United States will hold a general election to elect the**  
8 **next President of the United States and members of congressional offices and the**  
9 **State of Arizona’s ballot will include state legislature offices and ballot**  
10 **propositions; and**

11 **WHEREAS, by Resolution Nos. 24-115 and 24-234, the Tohono O'odham Nation endorsed the**  
12 **candidates of Jonathan Nez for U.S. Congress, District 2, and Kirsten Engel for U.S.**  
13 **Congress, District 6; and**

14 **WHEREAS, the Executive Office recommends endorsing the additional following candidates**  
15 **for the 2024 general election:**

- 16       ▪       **U.S. President – Kamala Harris**
- 17       ▪       **U.S. Senate – Ruben Gallego**
- 18       ▪       **U.S. Congress, District 7 – Raul Grijalva**
- 19       ▪       **Pima County Supervisor, District 3 – Jen Allen**
- 20       ▪       **State Senate, District 23 – Brian Fernandez**
- 21       ▪       **State Representative, District 23 – Mariana Sandoval**
- 22       ▪       **Pima County Recorder – Gabriella Cazares-Kelly**

23 **; and**

24 **WHEREAS, the recommended candidates advocate strongly for Nation and tribal issues; and**

25 **WHEREAS, the Executive Office’s recommended positions on Arizona ballot propositions for**  
26 **the 2024 general election cycle are as follows:**

- 27       ▪       **Proposition 134; Oppose**
- 28       ▪       **Proposition 135; Oppose**
- 29       ▪       **Proposition 136; Oppose**
- 30       ▪       **Proposition 314; Oppose**

31 **; and**

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1 **WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Nation to support these candidates and to oppose**  
2 **the specific Arizona ballot propositions; and**

3 **WHEREAS, the Appropriations Committee conferred with the Executive Office and**  
4 **recommends endorsing the candidates for the 2024 general election and**  
5 **opposing the specific ballot propositions.**

6 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council endorses the**  
7 **following candidates:**

- 8       ▪ **U.S. President – Kamala Harris**
- 9       ▪ **U.S. Senate – Ruben Gallego**
- 10      ▪ **U.S. Congress, District 7 – Raul Grijalva**
- 11      ▪ **Pima County Supervisor, District 3 – Jen Allen**
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- 14      ▪ **Pima County Recorder – Gabriella Cazares-Kelly**

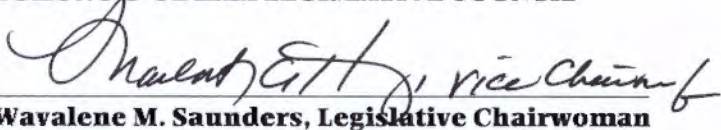
15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council opposes the**  
16 **following Arizona ballot propositions:**

- 17      ▪ **Proposition 134; Oppose**
- 18      ▪ **Proposition 135; Oppose**
- 19      ▪ **Proposition 136; Oppose**
- 20      ▪ **Proposition 314; Oppose**

21 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council endorses these**  
22 **candidates and opposes the listed Arizona ballot propositions, provided that**  
23 **Nation's members are encouraged to vote as they deem appropriate.**

24 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10<sup>th</sup>**  
25 **day of OCTOBER 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,845.7 FOR;**  
26 **417.6 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council**  
27 **by Article VI, Section 1(f) and 1(c)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted**  
28 **by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy**  
29 **Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the**  
30 **Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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32 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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36 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

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38 11<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2024  
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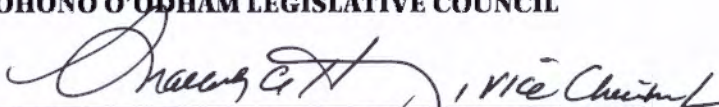
1 **ATTEST:**

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4 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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6 11 day of October, 2024

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8 Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono  
9 O'odham Nation on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2024 at 4:05 o'clock, P.m.,  
10 pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become  
11 effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48  
12 hours of submittal.

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14 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

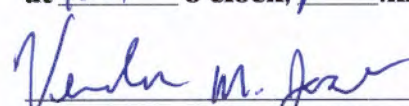
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17 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

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22  **APPROVED**

on the 14 day of October, 2024

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24  **DISAPPROVED**

at 4:01 o'clock, P.m.

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29 **VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN**  
30 **TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION**

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35 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 15 day of  
36 October, 2024, at 10:15 o'clock, A.m.

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41 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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## ACTION: ENDORSING CANDIDATES AND ESTABLISHING BALLOT POSITIONS FOR THE 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

MOVED: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS

DATE: OCTOBER 10, 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			
GU ACHI 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 ( )	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA ( ) 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Loretta A. Ortega) ( <i>Absent</i> )	110.25 110.25		X 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			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. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ( ) 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,263.30</b>	<b>2,845.7</b>	<b>417.6</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>[02]</b>