

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Extending Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee Interim Appointments to June 17, 2025)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-387**

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Tohono O'odham  
2 Legislative Council with the power to "provide for, appoint, or provide for the  
3 appointment of, and prescribe the duties and powers of committees, boards,  
4 officers and agents" and "to preserve and cultivate native arts, crafts and  
5 traditions" (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(b) and Section 1(c)(8)); and

6 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Nation has historically held a pageant to select young  
7 O'odham women to represent and serve the Nation as official ambassadors and  
8 in accordance with the Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee Bylaws, the Miss  
9 Tohono O'odham Nation Committee has coordinated the Miss Tohono O'odham  
10 Nation pageant and acted as chaperones, among other duties and  
11 responsibilities provided for by the Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee  
12 Bylaws, as amended by Resolution No. 11-421, Resolution No. 16-089, and  
13 Resolution No. 23-302; and

14 **WHEREAS,** the Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee is comprised of "five enrolled  
15 female members of the Nation who are at least 25 years of age with a preference  
16 for O'odham speakers" who serve staggered, four year terms and who "shall  
17 remain in office until their successors have been appointed and may serve an  
18 unlimited number of terms" (Committee Bylaws, Sections 3102(B) and (D)); and

19 **WHEREAS,** by Resolution No. 24-171, the Legislative Council appointed Legislative Council  
20 alternates Tonya L. Joaquin, Loretta A. Ortega, Arvada Liston, and Christina  
21 Andrews as interim Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee members to  
22 exercise the Committee's functions while the Human Resources Development  
23 Committee continues to advertise and recruit applicants; and

24 **WHEREAS,** the Human Resources Development Committee recommends extending time for  
25 alternates to serve as interim members on the Miss Tohono O'odham Nation  
26 Committee to June 17, 2025.

27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council extends the  
28 appointments of Legislative Council alternates Tonya L. Joaquin, Loretta A.  
29 Ortega, Arvada Liston, and Christina Andrews as interim Miss Tohono O'odham  
30 Nation Committee members to June 17, 2025, provided that:

- 31 (1) nothing in this resolution precludes the Legislative Council from  
32 appointing Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee members to replace  
33 interim members; and

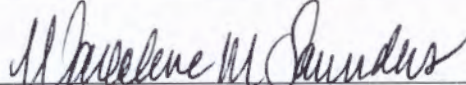


(2) if an interim member no longer serves as a Legislative Council alternate for any reason, her appointment shall expire immediately.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Human Resources Development Committee shall evaluate the interim Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Committee member appointments made by this Resolution prior to their expiration to determine if the appointments should be extended.

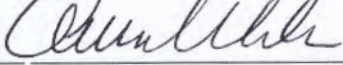
The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 14<sup>TH</sup> day of NOVEMBER 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [03] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(b) and 1(c)(8) 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

19 day of November, 2024

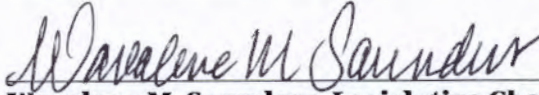
ATTEST:

  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

18 day of November, 2024

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 19 day of November, 2024 at 1:00 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

  
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

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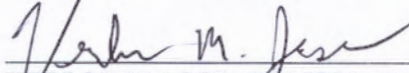
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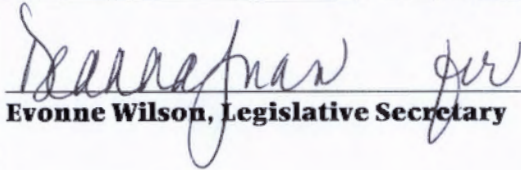
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13 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 21 day of

14 November, 2024, at 11:49 o'clock, A. .m.

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**ACTION: EXTENDING MISS TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION COMMITTEE INTERIM APPOINTMENTS TO JUNE 17, 2025**

**Moved: COUNCILWOMAN JANICE FELIX**

**SECOND: COUNCILMAN FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling) 2. JESSE NAVARRO ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Alberta J. Ray) ( <i>Present</i> )	197.1 197.1	X 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 ( )	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA ( ) 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Loretta A. Ortega) ( <i>Present</i> )	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 (Christina Andrews) 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			X
SIF ODAK 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>3,263.3</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>[03]</b>