

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Authorizing the Tohono O'odham Ki:Ki Association to Submit an Expansion Application**  
**to the Department of Housing and Urban Development and Department of Veterans**  
**Affairs for the Tribal HUD-VASH Supportive Housing Program)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-056**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with  
2                   the power to enact laws "to promote, protect and provide for public health, peace,  
3                   morals, education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its  
4                   members" (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2)); and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   the Tohono O'odham Ki:Ki Association ("TOKA") is the Nation's tribally  
6                   designated housing entity in accordance with the Native American Housing  
7                   Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, 25 U.S.C. § 4101, et seq., P.L. 104-  
8                   330, 110 Stat. 4106 ("NAHASDA") and is authorized to receive and administer the  
9                   Nation's Indian Housing Block Grant and to seek other funds to operate,  
10                  maintain, and expand affordable housing; and
- 11   **WHEREAS,**   the Legislative Council and the TOKA recognize the dire need to continue to  
12                  support rental and long term housing opportunities for our Nation's veterans;  
13                  and
- 14   **WHEREAS,**   the TOKA has developed an application for the Tribal Housing and Urban  
15                  Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing ("Tribal HUD-VASH")  
16                  Expansion Program to provide rental assistance for our most venerable tribal  
17                  veterans; and
- 18   **WHEREAS,**   assistance will be in the form of rental housing assistance for tribal veterans in  
19                  immediate need of services, who may be homeless or residing in unsafe,  
20                  overcrowded situations; and
- 21   **WHEREAS,**   if the TOKA's Tribal HUD-VASH application is successful, grant funds will be used  
22                  to provide rental housing assistance for qualified tribal veterans; and
- 23   **WHEREAS,**   TOKA will work to publicize the program to identify qualified tribal veterans to  
24                  participate in the program; and
- 25   **WHEREAS,**   TOKA has been successfully implementing the VASH program since 2016, serving  
26                  more than 52 tribal members who have applied for assistance; and
- 27   **WHEREAS,**   a great need still exists to provide housing services to underserved tribal  
28                  veterans; and
- 29   **WHEREAS,**   the Housing Committee has reviewed the TOKA's Tribal HUD-VASH Supportive  
30                  Housing Expansion Program application and recommends approval.  
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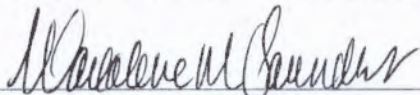
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council authorizes the TOKA to submit renewal Tribal HUD-VASH Supportive Housing Expansion Program applications to the Department of Housing and Urban Development and Department of Veterans Affairs and to execute all documents necessary to submit, continually renew, and implement TOKA's HUD-VASH Supportive Housing and Expansion Program.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 04<sup>TH</sup> day of MARCH 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) 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

6 day of March, 2025

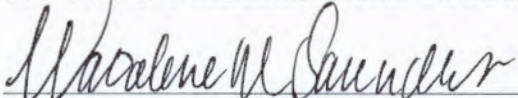
ATTEST:

  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

5 day of March, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 6 day of March, 2025 at 1:05 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.

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☒ APPROVED

on the 7 day of March, 2025

☐ DISAPPROVED

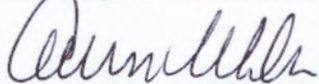
at 9:30 o'clock, A m.

  
VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Vice Chair for  
Verlon Jose

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 7 day of

March, 2025, at 10:25 o'clock, A m.

  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary



**ACTION: AUTHORIZING THE TOHONO O'ODHAM KI:KI ASSOCIATION TO SUBMIT AN EXPANSION APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE TRIBAL HUD-VASH SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM**

**Moved: COUNCILWOMAN VICTORIA HOBBS**

**SECOND: COUNCILMAN LESLIE LUNA**

**DATE: MARCH 04, 2025**

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 (Tonya L. Joaquin) 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			X
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL ( ) 2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruclas)	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			
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			
TOTAL		3,263.3	3,263.3	-0-	-0-	[02]