

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Endorsing Adelita S. Grijalva Candidacy for Arizona's 7th Congressional District)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-163

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,** Adelita S. Grijalva has announced her campaign for Arizona's 7th Congressional
8 District and is requesting support from the Tohono O'odham Nation; and

9 **WHEREAS,** Adelita S. Grijalva was elected in November 2020 to the Pima County Board of
10 Supervisors in District 5 to a four-year term, Ms. Grijalva also served on the
11 Tucson Unified School District Governing Board for 20 years, and served as the
12 Director of Pima County Teen Court for more than 25 years before beginning her
13 service as a Pima County Supervisor; and

14 **WHEREAS,** as a Pima County board supervisor, Adelita S. Grijalva helped to establish the
15 region's first Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Task Force,
16 ensuring that local governments were accountable partners in addressing this
17 ongoing crisis; and

18 **WHEREAS,** Adelita S. Grijalva will advocate for meaningful federal government-to-
19 government consultation with tribal nations as true partners and to work to
20 expand access to critical needs for communities across tribal lands, including
21 reliable internet and healthcare services; and

22 **WHEREAS,** the Appropriations Committee recommends endorsing Adelita S. Grijalva's
23 candidacy for Arizona's 7th Congressional District.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council endorses
25 Adelita S. Grijalva's candidacy for Arizona's 7th Congressional District, provided
26 that Nation's members are encouraged to vote as they deem appropriate.

27 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 13TH
28 day of JUNE, 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,209.65 FOR; 111.45
29 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by
30 Article VI, Section 1(f) and Section 1(c)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation,
31 adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy
32 Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the
33 Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).
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Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

17 day of June, 2025

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

17 day of June, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 17 day of June, 2025 at 4:30 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
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

☒ APPROVED

on the 18 day of June, 2025

☐ DISAPPROVED

at 8:17 o'clock, A.m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 18 day of

June, 2025, at 9:04 o'clock, A.m.

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: ENDORSING ADELITA S. GRIJALVA CANDIDACY FOR ARIZONA'S 7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS

SECOND: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY

DATE: JUNE 13, 2025

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ()	125.6 125.6	X X			
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO () 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85 282.85	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65 97.65	X X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III () 2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9 124.9	X X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler) 2. ROGER MANUEL ()	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas) 2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15 120.15	X X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega) 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45 111.45	X	X		
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA () 2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8 139.8	X X			
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN () 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY () 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS ()	180.95 180.95	X X			
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray) 2. NED NORRIS, JR (Leander Mase)	199.45 199.45	X X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,209.65	111.45	-0-	-0-