

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving the Appointment of Mario B. Saraficio Sr. as the Executive Director
of the Nation's Department of Public Safety)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-178

1 **WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 2(e) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests**
2 **the Nation's chairperson with authority to appoint the Nation's treasurer, and**
3 **other officers and heads of all governmental departments with the approval of**
4 **the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council; and**

5 **WHEREAS, 1 T.O.C. Chapter 4 – Appointed Officers establishes the process for the Legislative**
6 **Council's consideration and approval or disapproval of the Nation's treasurer**
7 **and other appointed officers; and**

8 **WHEREAS, the Appointed Officers law requires that the Nation's chairperson provide to the**
9 **relevant Legislative Council committee "the current job description for the**
10 **appointed officer's position, and the appointee's current resume, contact**
11 **information, and a written background investigation report completed within 90**
12 **days of submission to the committee" before the committee interviews the**
13 **appointee (1 T.O.C. Chapter 4, Section 4003(B) and (C)); and**

14 **WHEREAS, Section 4003(B) lists the background investigation report requirements in detail;**
15 **and**

16 **WHEREAS, Chairman Verlon Jose has identified Mario B. Saraficio, Sr. as the appointee for**
17 **the Executive Director of the Nation's Department of Public Safety; and**

18 **WHEREAS, the Domestic Affairs Committee has received and reviewed the current job**
19 **description, resume, background investigation report and other materials and**
20 **information required by the Appointed Officers law, has interviewed the**
21 **appointee, and recommends that the Legislative Council approve the**
22 **appointment; and**

23 **WHEREAS, pursuant to Appointed Officers law Section 4003(E), the Legislative Council has**
24 **been provided all the documents required by Section 4003(B) and has had the**
25 **opportunity to interview the appointee after the oversight committee's interview**
26 **and review the background investigation report in closed session.**

27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the**
28 **appointment of Mario B. Saraficio Sr. as the Executive Director of the Nation's**
29 **Department of Public Safety, subject to the terms of the Appointed Officers law.**
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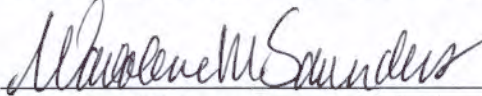
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The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 16TH day of JUNE, 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(d) and Article VII, Section 2(e) 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

17 day of June, 2025

ATTEST:

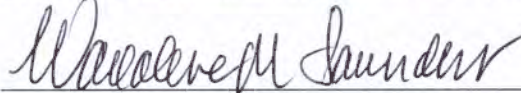


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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 4:44 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

☒ **APPROVED**

on the 18 day of June, 2025

☐ **DISAPPROVED**

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



**VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 18 day of
June, 2025, at 9:01 o'clock, a.m.

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARIO B. SARAFICIO SR. AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATION'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Moved: COUNCILMAN ROGER MANUEL

SECOND: COUNCILMAN LOUIS R. LOPEZ

DATE: JUNE 16, 2025

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF ODAK 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 <i>(Absent)</i> (Gloria Johnson) <i>(Present)</i> 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	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	-0-