

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract between the**  
**Tohono O'odham Nation and Michael L. Brown, Esq.)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-256**

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with  
2 the power "to employ legal counsel for the protection and advancement of the  
3 rights of the Tohono O'odham Nation" (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham  
4 Nation, Article VI, Section 2(a)); and

5 **WHEREAS,** the Legislative Council approved a Professional Service Contract with Michael L.  
6 Brown, Esq. by Resolution No. 24-349; and

7 **WHEREAS,** due to the increasing needs of tribal members for legal representation in  
8 criminal matters which has caused a higher need for attorneys to handle cases  
9 where the Tohono O'odham Advocate Program is ethically conflicted out of the  
10 representation, the Advocate Program recommends amending the Contract to  
11 accommodate the need; and

12 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Advocate Program has prepared and submitted for review  
13 an Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract with Michael L. Brown,  
14 Esq.; and

15 **WHEREAS,** the Domestic Affairs Committee has reviewed the Amendment No. 1 to the  
16 Professional Services Contract with Michael L. Brown, Esq., which is incorporated  
17 by this reference, and recommends its approval.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the  
19 Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract with Michael L. Brown,  
20 Esq., in substantially the form attached hereto and authorizes the Nation's  
21 chairperson to execute it; provided that any further amendments shall be  
22 submitted for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

23 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 06<sup>TH</sup>  
24 day of AUGUST, 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0-  
25 AGAINST; [01] NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by  
26 Article VI, Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono  
27 O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary -  
28 Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934  
29 (48 Stat.984).

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Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

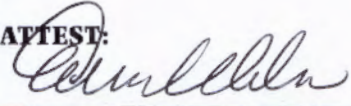
8<sup>TH</sup> day of August, 2025

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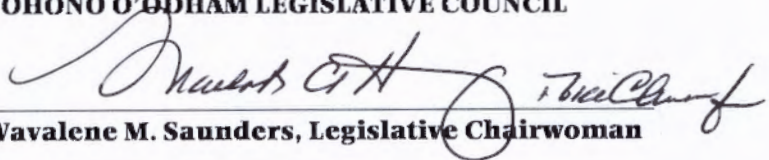
ATTEST:

  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

7 day of August, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 8th day of August, 2025 at 8:14 o'clock, A.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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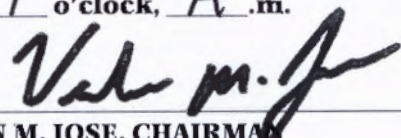
  
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☒ APPROVED

on the 8 day of August, 2025

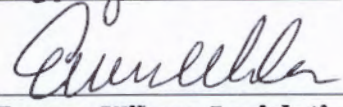
☐ DISAPPROVED

at 9 o'clock, A.m.

  
VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 8 day of

August, 2025, at 10:14 o'clock, 0.m.

  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary



**ACTION: APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION AND MICHAEL L. BROWN, ESQ.**

**Moved: COUNCILMAN BENNETT CHEWING**

**SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN DELMA M. GARCIA**

**DATE: AUGUST 06, 2025**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDA 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		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 (Absent) (Christina Andrews) (Present)	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Absent) (Nora J. Ruelas) (Present) 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			X
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ( ) 2. BENNETT CHEWING ( )	139.8 139.8	X X			
GUACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ( ) 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	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-	[01]	[01]