

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Representative Jerome Joaquin as the Nation's Representative to the
International Sonoran Desert Alliance Board of Directors and
Representative Delma M. Garcia as Alternate)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-287

1 **WHEREAS,** it is the policy of the Tohono O'odham Nation "to promote efforts which will
2 preserve and protect the natural and cultural environment of the Tohono
3 O'odham Nation," and the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the
4 responsibility to "[p]reserve important historic, cultural and natural aspects of
5 Tohono O'odham national heritage, and maintain . . . an environment which
6 supports diversity" (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Article XVIII,
7 Section 1 and Section 2(d)); and

8 **WHEREAS,** the stated purpose of the International Sonoran Desert Alliance ("ISDA"), a non-
9 profit corporation founded in 1993, is "to design and implement projects that
10 promote education, environmental conservation, cultural preservation, and
11 sustainable economic development that protect the natural and diverse cultural
12 heritage of the Sonoran Desert." (ISDA Bylaws, Article II); and

13 **WHEREAS,** the governing board of ISDA is comprised of up to 20 elected or appointed
14 certified general members representing the indigenous and non-indigenous
15 resident citizens of the United States and Mexico, including an official
16 representative and alternate of the Nation who are appointed by the Legislative
17 Council (ISDA Bylaws, Article V, Section 5.1.); and

18 **WHEREAS,** by Resolution No. 23-464, the Legislative Council appointed Representative
19 Dallas Lewis as the Nation's representative to the ISDA Board of Directors,
20 provided that "any appointments made pursuant to [the] resolution shall
21 immediately expire if the appointed representative no longer serves on the
22 Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee for any reason."; and

23 **WHEREAS,** the Nation currently is not represented on the ISDA Board of Directors; and

24 **WHEREAS,** the Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee recommends the
25 appointment of Representative Jerome Joaquin as the Nation's representative
26 and Representative Delma M. Garcia as an alternate to the ISDA Board of
27 Directors.

28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council appoints
29 Representative Jerome Joaquin as the Nation's representative and
30 Representative Delma M. Garcia as alternate to the International Sonoran Desert
31 Alliance Board of Directors.

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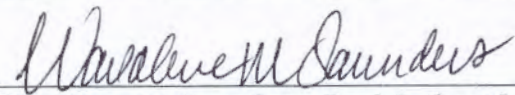
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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that any appointments made pursuant to this resolution shall immediately expire if the appointed representative no longer serves on the Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee for any reason.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 09TH day of SEPTEMBER 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article XVIII, Sections 1 and 2(d) 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

18 day of September, 2025

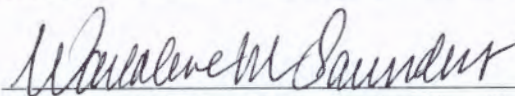
ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

12 day of September, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 18 day of September, 2025 at 11:40 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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☒ APPROVED

on the 15 day of September, 2025

☐ DISAPPROVED

at 3:11 o'clock, P.m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 15 day of

September, 2025, at 3:38 o'clock, P.m.

Evonne Wilson

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ACTION: APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVE JEROME JOAQUIN AS THE NATION'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE INTERNATIONAL SONORAN DESERT ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REPRESENTATIVE DELMA M. GARCIA AS ALTERNATE

Moved: COUNCILMAN ROGER MANUEL

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN JANET B. ELEANDO

DATE: SEPTEMBER 09, 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 (<i>Absent</i>) (Lorraine M. Eiler) (<i>Present</i>) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Nora J. Ruclas) (<i>Present</i>) 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			X
GUACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Victoria A. Hobbs) (<i>Present</i>)	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 (<i>Absent</i>) (Leander Mase) (<i>Present</i>)	199.45 199.45	X X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	[02]