

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving the Appointment of Viola Ramos-Estrada to the Tohono
O'odham Gaming Enterprise Management Board)**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-445

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with
2 the power to "provide for, appoint, or provide for the appointment of, and
3 prescribe the duties and powers of committees, boards, officers and agents"
4 (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(h)); and

5 **WHEREAS,** the Legislative Council has enacted and subsequently amended the "Charter of
6 the Tohono O'odham Gaming Enterprise," which established a Gaming
7 Management Board ("Board") that exercises general authority and responsibility
8 for the management and operation of the Gaming Enterprise (16 Tohono
9 O'odham Code Chapter 2, Section 5(d)(1)); and

10 **WHEREAS,** Board directors are appointed by the Nation's chairperson with the approval of
11 the Legislative Council for terms of three years or until their successors are
12 appointed and qualified (16 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 2, Section 5(a)(2) and
13 5(a)(4)); and

14 **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Section 5(a)(3)(C) of the Charter, "[e]ach Director must obtain a
15 gaming facility operator's license pursuant to the Gaming Ordinance prior to
16 approval of the Director's appointment by the Legislative Council"; and

17 **WHEREAS,** Section 5(a)(3)(A) of the Charter provides that "[n]ot less than four of the Directors
18 shall be members of the Nation"; and

19 **WHEREAS,** the Chairperson of the Nation has appointed Viola Ramos-Estrada to the Tohono
20 O'odham Gaming Enterprise Management Board, subject to Legislative Council
21 approval; and

22 **WHEREAS,** the Commerce and Rules Committees have reviewed the Chairperson's
23 appointment and recommend approval.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the
25 appointment of Viola Ramos-Estrada to the Tohono O'odham Gaming Enterprise
26 Management Board for a term beginning on the effective date of this resolution
27 and expiring three years after the effective date of this resolution, provided that
28 Viola Ramos-Estrada shall continue to serve until her successor has been
29 appointed and qualified.
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The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10TH day of DECEMBER 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,356.5 FOR; 398.9 AGAINST; 565.7 [02] NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(b) 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

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

15 day of December, 2025

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

12 day of December, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 15 day of December, 2025 at 9:04 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.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wavalene M. Saunders

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 15 day of December, 2025

DISAPPROVED

at 10:32 o'clock, p.m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN

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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 14 day of
December, 2025, at 9:12 o'clock, a.m.

Evonne Wilson

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF VIOLA RAMOS-ESTRADA TO THE TOHONO O'ODHAM GAMING ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT BOARD**MOVED: COUNCILMAN ROGER MANUEL****SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN THEORIA CAMPILLO****DATE: DECEMBER 10, 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			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 (Christina Andrews)	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 (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	2,356.5	398.9	565.7 [02]	[01]