

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Sheila Espino to the Tohono O'odham Ki:Ki Association Board of Directors)**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-192

1 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the power to "promote,**
2 **protect and provide for public health, peace, morals, education and general**
3 **welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members" and to "provide for,**
4 **appoint, or provide for the appointment of, and prescribe the duties and powers**
5 **of committees, boards, officers and agents" (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham**
6 **Nation, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(b)); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Ki:ki Association ("TOKA") Board of Directors consists of five**
8 **voting members appointed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council who shall**
9 **serve staggered four year terms or until their successors are appointed, with no**
10 **more than two members' terms ending in a single year, and whose terms shall**
11 **commence on March 1 and end on the last day of February (18 Tohono O'odham**
12 **Code Chapter 1, Article V, Section 1.a.); and**

13 **WHEREAS, Board members shall have sufficient education and experience in housing,**
14 **construction, business, and finance to provide oversight of the TOKA in order to**
15 **achieve the TOKA's mission of providing safe, affordable, and well-constructed**
16 **housing (18 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 1, Article V, Section 1(b)); and**

17 **WHEREAS, Sheila Espino was appointed to the TOKA Board of Directors by Resolution No. 22-**
18 **059 for a term ending February 28, 2025 and she continues to serve until her**
19 **successor is appointed; and**

20 **WHEREAS, in accordance with the Board Appointment Guidelines, the Housing Committee**
21 **reviewed the TOKA Board of Directors candidate Sheila Espino's application**
22 **documents, her background investigation report, and interviewed her, and the**
23 **Rules Committee reviewed her application documents and background**
24 **investigation report; and**

25 **WHEREAS, the Housing Committee recommends the appointment of Sheila Espino, a**
26 **Nation's member with sufficient education and experience, to the TOKA Board of**
27 **Directors for a term beginning upon the effective date of this resolution and**
28 **ending February 28, 2029 or until her successor is appointed; and**

29 **WHEREAS, the Rules Committee also recommends the appointment of Sheila Espino to the**
30 **TOKA Board of Directors.**

31 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, notwithstanding Article V, Section 1.a. of 18 Tohono**
32 **O'odham Code Chapter 1, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council appoints**
33 **Sheila Espino to the TOKA Board of Directors for a term beginning upon the**

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effective date of this resolution and ending February 28, 2029, or until her successor is appointed.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10TH day of JUNE 2026 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 VI, Section 1(b) and 1(c)(2) 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

12th day of June, 2026

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

12 day of June, 2026

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 12th day of June, 2026 at 7:48 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 12 day of June, 2026

DISAPPROVED

at 5:20 o'clock, P.M.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 12 day of

June, 2026, at 5:29 o'clock, P.m.



Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: APPOINTING SHEILA ESPINO TO THE TOHONO O'ODHAM KI:KI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Moved: COUNCILMAN BENNETT CHEWING

SECOND: COUNCILMAN LUCIUS E. LOPEZ

DATE: JUNE 10, 2026

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF Oidak 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	125.6	X			
	2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA (Dionne Kuth-Ie)	125.6	X			
SELS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	282.85	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85	X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	97.65	X			
	2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65	X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	124.9	X			
	2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9	X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	133.15	X			
	2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15	X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	120.15	X			
	2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15	X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	111.45	X			
	2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45	X			
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ()	139.8	X			
	2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8	X			
GU ACHI 289.2	1. GLORIA JOHNSON (Rodney Aguilla)	144.6	X			X
	2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6	X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	180.95	X			
	2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	180.95	X			
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO ()	199.45	X			X
	2. NED NORRIS, JR. (Absent) (Leander Mase) (Present)	199.45	X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	[02]