

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Amy Courson as a Pro Tempore Judge of the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court)**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-236

1 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the authority to appoint**
2 **judges to the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court (Constitution, Article VIII, Section**
3 **3); and**

4 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Council "may upon the recommendation of the chief judge**
5 **appoint pro tempore judges to the Judicial Court" (6 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 2,**
6 **Section 1201); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the term of a pro tempore judge "shall be set forth in the resolution of the**
8 **Legislative Council appointing the judge, but in no case shall the term be longer**
9 **than six years" (6 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1204); and**

10 **WHEREAS, by Resolution Nos. 14-037 and 20-168, Amy Courson has served as a pro tempore**
11 **judge of the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court with a current term that expired**
12 **May 26, 2026; and**

13 **WHEREAS, the chief judge has submitted Amy Courson's resume, letter of interest, and a**
14 **letter of recommendation for her reappointment as a pro tempore judge to the**
15 **Tohono O'odham Judicial Court; and**

16 **WHEREAS, the Judiciary Committee, having legislative oversight of matters pertaining to**
17 **the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court, and having reviewed Amy Courson's**
18 **resume, letter of interest, and the chief judge's letter of recommendation,**
19 **recommends the appointment.**

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that it**
21 **appoints Amy Courson to the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court as a pro tempore**
22 **judge for a six-year term commencing on the effective date of this resolution.**

23 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 03RD**
24 **day of AUGUST 2026 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0-**
25 **AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by**
26 **Article VIII, Section 3 of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the**
27 **Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant**
28 **Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of**
29 **June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

6 day of August, 2026

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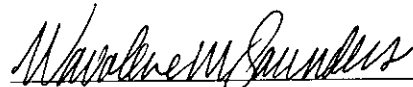
ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

6 day of August, 2026

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 6 day of August, 2026 at 4:10 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

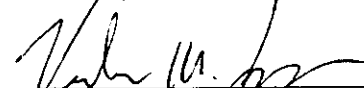

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

☒ APPROVED

on the 6 day of August, 2026

☐ DISAPPROVED

at 5:04 o'clock, P.m.


VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 7 day of

August, 2026, at 8:41 o'clock, A.m.


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPOINTING AMY COURSON AS A PRO TEMPORE JUDGE OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM JUDICIAL COURT

Moved: COUNCILWOMAN GLORIA M. RAMIREZ

SECOND: COUNCILMAN BENNETT CHEWING

DATE: AUGUST 03, 2026

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA (Dionne Kuth-Le)	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 (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. GLORIA JOHNSON (Rodney T. Aguilla) 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			X
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO () 2. NED NORRIS, JR. (Leander Mase)	199.45 199.45	X X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	[01]