

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
(Supporting the Implementation of P.L. 95-561,  
Including Amendments)

RES. NO. 91-252

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WHEREAS, all Bureau of Indian (B.I.A.) School Boards on the Tohono O'odham Nation, in conjunction with the Tohono O'odham Education Committee/Board of Directors are informed of the issue of B.I.A. Reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the reorganization raises much concern on the major impact it will have on the education system in the B.I.A. funded schools; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government has already mandated under P.L. 93-638, P.L. 95-561 and P.L. 100-297 that Indian Tribes shall determine their own education direction and that the Bureau of Indian Affairs shall carry out the laws; and

WHEREAS, the B.I.A.'s task force is considering to reorganize its structure back to a system of the past that did not work in its existence, and which, if implemented, will severely jeopardize the progress that Indian Nations have made since the passage of P.L. 93-638; and

WHEREAS, the B.I.A. School Boards have also been made aware of the Draft Audit of P.L. 95-561 Implementation Report, done by the Office of the Interior's Inspector General which states, "only four (4) of the 17 principle provisions have been implemented"; and

WHEREAS, under P.L. 95-561, the B.I.A. will be able to achieve Secretary Lujan's goal of improving standardized test scores of Indian children at or above the national level by the Year 2000; and

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3 WHEREAS, education effectiveness will improve base funding  
4 (I.S.E.P.) for Indian students to increase staff salaries,  
5 library services, text books and supplies/materials to  
6 meet accreditation standards including funds for  
7 construction of new schools to meet the needs of Indian  
8 students.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative  
10 Council does hereby support the resolutions from the  
11 Tohono O'odham Education Committee/Board of Directors,  
12 Tohono O'odham High School, San Simon School, Santa Rosa  
13 Boarding School and Santa Rosa Ranch School Boards  
14 opposing B.I.A. reorganization.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council  
16 strongly opposes any attempts to repeal P.L. 95-561, due  
17 to the belief that Indian education should remain under  
18 the control of Indian People.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council  
20 supports extensive active consultation and/or correspon-  
21 dence with the Tohono O'odham Nation by any task force,  
22 steering committee, etc., which is directly responsible  
23 for any proposed changes effecting the education, not only  
24 of Tohono O'odham students, but the over all Indian  
25 population, prior to making final decisions.

26 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to the  
27 National Indian School Board Association; Office of Indian  
28 Education Program, Dr. Ed Parisian, Director; Bureau of

Indian Affairs, Assistant Secretary Eddie Brown; appropriate Congressional Committees; the Arizona Congressional Delegation; and the Nation's Washington Representatives, Ducheneaux, Gerard and Associates.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Council on the 7th day of June, 1991 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,724.0 for; -0- against; -0- not voting; 01 absent, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1(c) (c) (2) & (j) of Article VI 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

Mary Ann Antone  
Mary Ann Antone, Legislative Chairwoman

24th day of June, 1991.

ATTEST:

Teresa M. Choyguha  
Teresa M. Choyguha, Legislative Secretary

24th day of June, 1991.

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 25th day of June, 1991, at 8:11 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

Mary Ann Antone  
for Mary Ann Antone, Legislative Chairwoman

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[  ] APPROVED ) on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1991,  
[  ] DISAPPROVED) at 3:30 o'clock, P.M.

Joseph L. Moore  
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JOSIAH MOORE, Chairman  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
June, 1991, at 8:19 o'clock, A.M.

Teresa M. Choyguha  
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Teresa M. Choyguha  
Legislative Secretary

MOVED: COUNCILMAN EUGENE ENIS, SR.SUBJECT: SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF P.L. 95-561,SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN FRANCES FRANCISCOINCLUDING AMENDMENTSDATE: JUNE 7, 1991

DISTRICTS	REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 229.0	1. Earl A. Francisco (Kenneth Chico)	114.5	X			
	2. Frances Miquel (Joann Garcia)	114.5	X			
CHUKUT KUK 163.0	1. Kenneth Williams (Harriet Toro)	81.5	X			
	2. Alberta Lopez (Berdella Jose)	81.5	X			
GU ACHI 166.0	1. Alex Ramon (Fernando Joaquin)	83.0	X			
	2. Willard Anita (Jonas Robles)	83.0	X			
GU VO 114.0	1. Virgil Lewis (Michael Flores)	57.0	X			
	2. Emilio Lewis (Anthony Flores)	57.0	X			
HICKIWAN 125.0	1. Lloyd Francisco (Billy C. Manuel)	62.5	X			X
	2. Manuel Osequeda, Jr. ( )	62.5	X			
PISINENO 119.0	1. Johnson Jose ( )	59.5	X			
	2. Chester Antone (Fernando Valentine)	59.5	X			
SAN LUCY 106.0	1. Albert Manuel, Jr. (Max P. Jose)	53.0	X			
	2. John Reno ( )	53.0	X			
SAN XAVIER 127.0	1. Joanne C. Preston (Carmelita Mattias)	63.5	X			
	2. Eugene Enis, Sr. (Michael R. Rios)	63.5	X			
SCHUK TOAK 107.0	1. JoAnn Francisco (David Valenzuela, Sr)	53.5	X			
	2. Frances Francisco (Joseph Juan)	53.5	X			
SELLS 310.0	1. Joseph T. Joaquin** (Larry Garcia)	155.0	X			
	2. Andrew Patricio (Lucille Encinas)	155.0	X			
SIP OIDAK 158.0	1. Mary Ann Antone (Nina Jose)	79.0	X			
	2. Willard Juan, Sr. (Delbert Thomas)	79.0	X			
	TOTAL	1,724.0	1,724.0	-0-	-0-	01

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