

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
(Support for Increase in Federal Appropriations for  
Indian Housing)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 94-053**

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3 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'Odham Nation, with a land base of**  
4 **approximately 2.8 million acres and a tribal**  
5 **population of 18,000 conducted a Consolidated**  
6 **Housing Inventory to document and identify the**  
7 **housing needs of its members; and**

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10 **WHEREAS, the findings of the inventory clearly supports the**  
11 **Nation's claims of a severe and devastating condition**  
12 **of unmet housing needs within the Nation. Of the**  
13 **2690 units existing, 1540 were classified sub-standard,**  
14 **875 require total replacement, 877 needing housing**  
15 **and 665 needed rehab; and**

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18 **WHEREAS, these conditions reflect the collective condition of**  
19 **Indian Housing across Indian Country as indicated in**  
20 **recent surveys conducted by the Bureau of Indian**  
21 **Affairs in which it was revealed that 98,781 new or**  
22 **substantially rehabilitated houses were needed in 1989**  
23 **in order to meet minimum federal housing standards;**  
24 **and**

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27 **WHEREAS, the deterioration of Indian Housing is a direct result**  
28 **of the inadequate federal funding of existing federal**

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**housing programs and the gradual erosion of support for Indian Housing from the past Administration, which had proposed to completely eliminate funding for Indian Housing "new construction" for the twelve years it was in office; and**

**WHEREAS, the Tohono O'Odham Nation has consistently opposed any policy which will have the effect of exterminating or curtailing Federal Indian Housing Programs designed to provide for the ever increasing unmet need for adequate housing for members of Indian Nations.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tohono O'Odham Legislative Council that it does hereby urgently request our Legislative Representatives to support the Nation in its efforts to have the United States Congress and the Clinton-Gore Administration reverse the trend since 1980 of allowing the erosion of support and appropriations for Indian Housing.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding will be allowed for construction of 6,000 units under the HUD Indian**

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**Housing Program and the adequate water, sanitation facilities, solid waste disposal and roads infrustructive funding be sufficient to compliment housing unit funding.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Housing Improvement Program be a minimum level of 22 million dollars for FYE 1995.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding to allow a minimum of 4,000-6,000 units be funded through other programs and agencies such as Farmers Home Association (FMHA), Veteran Affairs (VA), and other loan guarantee programs for Native people.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'Odham Nation requests funding to support a minimum of 50 units per year for Low Rent and Mutual Help and funding for at least 25 HIP houses per year based on the identified needs that currently exist.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate officers of the Nation are hereby authorized and directed to bring**

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**this request to the appropriate members and committees of Congress.**

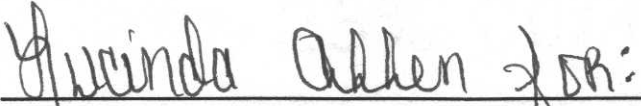
**The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'Odham Legislative Council on the 24TH day of FEBRUARY, 1994 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,583.0 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 180.0 [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 10 of Article 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**

  
**for Alex J. Ramon, Legislative Chairman**

28 day of Feb, 1994

**ATTEST:**

  
**Teresa M. Choyguha, Legislative Secretary**

28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1994.

**Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 28 day of Feb, 1994 at 9:46 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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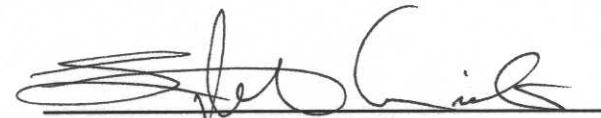
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**TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

  
For **Alex J. Ramon, Legislative Chairman**

**APPROVED** on the 7 day of March, 1994  
 **DISAPPROVED** at 3:37 o'clock, P. .M.

  
**SYLVESTER LISTO, Chairman  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION**

**Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the** 2nd. **day of**  
March, 1994, at 10:04 o'clock, A. .M.

  
**Teresa M. Choyguha, Legislative Secretary**

ACTION: SUPPORT FOR INCREASE IN FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR INDIAN HOUSING

MOVED: COUNCILMAN ALBERT MANUEL, JR.

SECOND: COUNCILMAN DENNIS RAMON

DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 1994

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 151.0	1. WILLARD JUAN, SR. (Delbert Thomas)	75.5	X			X
	2. MARY ANN ANTONE (Nellie Miguel)	75.5	X			
SELLS 290.0	1. ANDREW M. PATRICIO (Lucille Encinas)	145.0	X			
	2. JOSEPH T. JOAQUIN (Allen W. Garcia, Jr.)	145.0	X			
SCHUK TOAK 113.0	1. FRANCES FRANCISCO ( )	56.5	X			
	2. KENNETH J. ANTONE ( )	56.5	X			
SAN XAVIER 135.0	1. EUGENE ENIS, SR. ( )	67.5	X			
	2. DENNIS RAMON ( )	67.5	X			
BABOQUIVARI 230.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL ( )	115.0	X			
	2. EARL A. FRANCISCO ( )	115.0	X			
GU ACHI 180.0	1. WILLARD ANITA ( )	90.0				X
	2. ALEX J. RAMON (Marian Johnson)	90.0				X
PISINEMO 128.0	1. CHESTER ANTONE (Fernando Valentine)	64.0	X			
	2. JOHNSON M. JOSE (Roseleen Antone)	64.0	X			
SAN LUCY 98.0	1. JOHN RENO ( )	49.0	X			
	2. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. (Ernestine Marquez)	49.0	X			
GU VO 124.0	1. EMILIO LEWIS ( )	62.0	X			X
	2. MICHAEL FLORES (Fern Salcido)	62.0	X			
HICKIWAN 136.0	1. MANUEL OSEQUEDA, JR. ( )	68.0	X			
	2. LLOYD FRANCISCO ( )	68.0	X			
CHUKUT KUK 178.0	1. ALBERTA M. LOPEZ (Berdella Jose)	89.0	X			
	2. KENNETH WILLIAMS ( )	89.0	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,763.0</b>	<b>1,583.0</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>180.0 [04]</b>

\*\*PASSED VOTES