

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Opposing the Bureau of Indian Affairs Streamlining Options of**  
**the Office of Indian Education Programs**  
**and Proposing a Third Option)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 95-041**

**WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'Odham Nation was made aware of the proposed streamlining of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Indian Education Programs due to decreased federal spending and to provide more local control to Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** two options were provided to Tribes to consider on January 17, 1995 at a Consultation Meeting between Phoenix Area Tribes and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

**WHEREAS,** Tribal Leaders expressed grave concerns regarding the lack of attention to the Joint Tribal Bureau of Indian Affairs/Department of Interior Advisory Task Force on Reorganization of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'Odham Nation recommends a third option to include the following recommendations:

- a. We demand quality education for the children of the Tohono O'Odham Nation with increased funding.
- b. The Indian School Equalization Program (ISEP) Formula be increased to \$3,500.00 per student.

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- c. A Regional Office be established in Phoenix to service the 21 Tribes in Arizona. Technical Assistance and Training in the areas of administrative support and procurement be available to BIA School Administrators to operate the day to day functions of their schools, in the absence of personnel due to the downsizing.
  - d. A Program Support Center be established in Phoenix, Arizona.
  - e. The savings accumulated by the downsizing be earmarked for Tribes, specifically for BIA Schools. An FTE position be created and funded by the BIA. The FTE position will be housed in the Tohono O'Odham Education Department to provide coordination, communication, and the dissemination of information to the BIA School Administrators and Personnel.
  - f. The BIA Central Office reduce their FTE's and transfer funding to the Tribes, specifically for BIA Schools.
  - g. BIA funding for school construction & renovations be appropriated.

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'Odham Nation that it

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24 hereby opposes the Bureau of Indian Affairs streamlining of the

25 Office of Indian Education Programs Options 1 and 2.

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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'Odham Nation that it strongly

28 recommends a Third Option to include the recommendations as set

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forth in the foregoing resolution and these recommendations be  
taken into serious consideration by the Bureau of Indian Affairs &  
the Department of Interior, as a result of the mandate to consult  
with Tribes throughout this process.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'Odham Nation that it vehemently  
opposes the Bureau of Indian Affairs streamlining as it will impact  
the federal trust responsibility to Tribes, the quality of education  
to children of our Nation, and funding originally targeted for tribes  
and schools as a result of the downsizing.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'Odham Legislative Council  
on the 30TH day of JANUARY, 1995 at a meeting at which a quorum was  
present with a vote of 1,585.0 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 178.0  
[07] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1(c)(2) 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).

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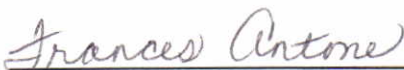
TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



Alex J. Ramon, Legislative Chairman

30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1995

ATTEST:



Frances Antone, Legislative Secretary

30 day of January, 1995

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the  
Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January,  
1995 at 4:30 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.

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Alex J. Ramon, Legislative Chairman

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APPROVED

on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1995

DISAPPROVED

at 4:39 o'clock, P.M.



SYLVESTER LISTO, Chairman  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of

January, 1995, at 4:50 o'clock, P.M.

Yvonne Allen for:

Frances Antone, Legislative Secretary

**ACTION:** OPPOSING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS STREAMLINING OPTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PROPOSING A THIRD OPTION

**MOVED:** COUNCILMAN EUGENE ENIS

**SECOND:** COUNCILMAN ALBERT MANUEL, JR.

**DATE:** JANUARY 30, 1995

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
<b>SIF ODAK</b> 151.0	1. WILLARD JUAN, SR. (Delbert Thomas)	75.5	X			
	2. MARY ANN ANTONE (Nellie Miguel)	75.5	X			X
<b>SELLS</b> 290.0	1. ANDREW M. PATRICIO (Lucille Encinas)	145.0	X			X
	2. JOSEPH T. JOAQUIN (Allen W. Garcia, Jr.)	145.0	X			
<b>SCHUK TOAK</b> 113.0	1. FRANCES FRANCISCO ( )	56.5	X			
	2. KENNETH J. ANTONE ( )	56.5	X			
<b>SAN XAVIER</b> 135.0	1. EUGENE ENIS, SR. ( )	67.5	X			
	2. DENNIS RAMON ( )	67.5	X			
<b>BABOQUIVARI</b> 230.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL ( )	115.0	X			
	2. EARL A. FRANCISCO ( )	115.0	X			X
<b>GU ACHI</b> 180.0	1. WILLARD ANITA ( )	90.0	X			
	2. ALEX J. RAMON (Marian Johnson)	90.0	X			
<b>PISINEMO</b> 128.0	1. CHESTER ANTONE (Fernando Valentine)	64.0	X			X
	2. JOHNSON M. JOSE (Roseleen Antone)	64.0	X			
<b>SAN LUCY</b> 98.0	1. JOHN RENO ( )	49.0	X			X
	2. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. (Ernestine Marquez)	49.0	X			
<b>GU VO</b> 124.0	1. EMILIO LEWIS ( )	62.0	X			
	2. MICHAEL FLORES (Fern Salcido)	62.0	X			
<b>HICKIWAN</b> 136.0	1. MANUEL OSEQUEDA, JR. ( )	68.0	X			
	2. LLOYD FRANCISCO ( )	68.0	X			
<b>CHUKUT KUK</b> 178.0	1. MARILYN FRANCISCO	89.0				X
	2. KENNETH WILLIAMS ( )	89.0				X
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,763.0</b>	<b>1,585.0</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>178.0</b> <b>[07]</b>

**\*\*PASSED VOTES**