

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Designating a Tohono O'odham Nation Reburial Site at Queens Well
Community in Schuk Toak District)

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WHEREAS, the enactment of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. §§ 3001-3013, in 1990 required federal agencies and museums receiving federal funds to inventory their holdings of Native American human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects and objects of cultural patrimony and to work together with Indian nations to reach agreements on the repatriation of these remains and objects; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation regularly makes claims to Hohokam human remains that are excavated or discovered on federal, tribal, state or private lands, and receives these human remains for repatriation; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation does not have a designated land site within the Tohono O'odham Nation to rebury human remains that are not claimed by a specific community or District; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation has been asking the Districts to designate an area to be recognized as the Nation's Reburial Site for human remains and associated objects; and

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WHEREAS, the Queens Well Community in Schuk Toak District has identified a land site at the foot of the Vaca Hills about five miles west of Queens Well to be set aside for the purpose of reburial of human remains and associated objects that are not identified or claimed by a specific Community or District, as stated in the Statement of Agreement dated September 20, 1996 attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Schuk Toak District Council adopted Resolution No. ST-10-26-96-02, attached hereto, on October 26, 1996, approving the designated site in Queens Well Community and recommending that the Tohono O'odham Cultural Preservation Committee and the Legislative Council designate and recognize the land site as the Nation's Reburial Site for our Hohokam ancestors; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Preservation Committee of the Legislative Council recommends approval of this land site by the Legislative Council, to be used as the Nation's Reburial Site for Hohokam human remains and associated objects that are not identified or claimed by a specific Community or District.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council supports the recommendation of the Queens Well Community and the Schuk Toak District Council and hereby designates the land site identified by Queens Well Community at the foot of the Vaca Hills about five miles west of Queens Well in Schuk Toak District as the Tohono O'odham Nation Reburial Site, to be used as a final resting place for Hohokam human remains and associated objects that are not identified or claimed by a specific Community or District.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'Odham Council on the 5TH. day of NOVEMBER, 1996 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,716.0 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 160.0 [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(i)(2) and Article XVI, Section 1 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



Dennis Ramon, Legislative Chairman

6th day of November, 1996

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ATTEST:



Frances Antone, Legislative Secretary

6th day of November, 1996

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 6th day of November, 1996 at 5:18 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




Dennis Ramon, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED

on the 8th day of November, 1996

DISAPPROVED

at 5:01 o'clock, P.M.



EDWARD D. MANUEL, Chairman
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 08th day of

November, 1996, at 5:24 o'clock, P.M.

Frances Antone

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ACTION: DESIGNATING A TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION REBURIAL SITE AT QUEENS WELL COMMUNITY IN SCHUK TOAK DISTRICT

MOVED: COUNCILMAN WILLARD ANITA

SECOND: COUNCILMAN ALBERT MANUEL, JR.

DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 1996

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOIES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 160.0	1. MARY ANN ANTONE (Nellie Miguel)	80.0				X
	2. RITA MARTINEZ (Maxine Norris)	80.0				X
SELLS 314.0	1. JOSEPH T. JOAQUIN (Allen W. Garcia, Jr.)	157.0	X			
	2. LUCILLE ENCINAS (Cynthia Chico)	157.0	X			
SCHUK TOAK 117.0	1. KENNETH J. ANTONE ()	58.5	X			X
	2. JOSEPH JUAN ()	58.5	X			
SAN XAVIER 142.0	1. DENNIS RAMON ()	71.0	X			
	2. TONY BURRELL ()	71.0	X			
BABOQUIVARI 257.0	1. EDWARD KISTO (Idella Stanley)	128.5	X			
	2. FRANCES MIGUEL (Kenneth Chico, Sr.)	128.5	X			
GU ACHI 187.0	1. WILLARD ANITA (Louis Johnson)	93.5	X			
	2. ALEX J. RAMON (Marian Johnson)	93.5	X			
PISINEMO 135.0	1. JOHNSON JOGE (Roseleen Antone)	67.5	X			
	2. BARBARA SALVICIO ()	67.5	X			
SAN LUCY 105.0	1. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. ()	52.5	X			
	2. JOHN RENO (Mary Hoffman)	52.5	X			
GU VO 134.0	1. GLORIA MONTANA ()	67.0	X			
	2. FERN SALCIDO (Larry Montana)	67.0	X			X
HICKIWAN 142.0	1. LLOYD FRANCISCO ()	71.0	X			
	2. ALEX JOSE ()	71.0	X			
CHUKUT KUK 183.0	1. KENNETH WILLIAMS ()	91.5	X			
	2. DAVID GARCIA (Marvin Thomas)	91.5	X			
TOTAL		1,876.0	1,716.0	-0-	-0-	160.0 [04]

****PASSED VOTES**