

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Support for funding in FY 1999 Federal Appropriations for the Native American
Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act, NAHASDA)**

RESOLUTION NO. 98-074

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation has a land base of approximately 3 million acres with a Tribal population of 23,000 members, it also has a severe shortage of adequate and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Nation's Housing Authority has only been able to provide a total of 1082 housing units the Nation has established an unmet need of 875 replacement units, 877 new units and 665 units that need rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), Public Law 104-330, was passed with the intent of meeting its Federal Trust Responsibility regarding Indian Housing; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides Indian Nations with the right to exercise Indian Self-Determination and Self Governance, similar to P.L. 93-638 Tribes, it fails to provide adequate federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the President had initially recommended \$485,000,000, and the Congress subsequently appropriated \$650,000,000 to fund NAHASDA; and

WHEREAS, the Act failed to provide National Indian Housing with prudent and reasonable safeguards for allowable Indirect Costs, Program Income, and Disaster Aid which are usually afforded under Federal Indian programs; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation believes that NAHASDA failed to provide Indian Country with adequate funding, and our Nation in particular,

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to meet the severe housing shortage especially since there will be more new federally recognized Tribes and more State recognized Tribes which HUD did not serve; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation firmly believes that the Act had every intention of providing Indian Self-Determination and Self Governance but HUD is reluctant to allow the flexibility envisioned by the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Nation hereby calls upon the United States President and U.S. Congress to appropriate \$850,000,000 to enable NAHASDA to be adequately implemented.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Nation herein request that the ACT is supplemented with the appropriate and necessary tools, such as Indirect Costs, Program Income and Disaster Aid, to ensure the success of Indian Housing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that HUD should be directed to meet the mandate as well as the spirit of NAHASDA, which provides Indian Self-Determination and Self Governance for the Tribes and the Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE's) to have program flexibility.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Council on the 23RD, day of FEBRUARY, 1998 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,927,0 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [06] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1(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).

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Dennis Ramon, Legislative Chairman

24th day of February, 1998

ATTEST:



Julianna Saraficio, Acting Legislative Secretary

23 day of February, 1998.

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'Odham Nation on the 24th day of February, 1998 at 5:35 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 25th day of February, 1998

DISAPPROVED

at 4:44 o'clock, P.M.



EDWARD D. MANUEL, Chairman

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Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 26th day of

February, 1998, at 8:55 o'clock, A.M.


Julianna Saraffio, Acting Legislative Secretary

ACTION: **SUPPORT FOR FUNDING IN FY 1999 FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT, NAHASDA**MOVED: **COUNCILMAN ALEX J. RAMON**SECOND: **VICE CHAIRMAN ALBERT MANUEL, JR.**DATE: **FEBRUARY 23, 1998**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
CHUKUT KUK 189.0	1. DAVID GARCIA (Marvin Thomas)	94.5	X			
	2. KENNETH WILLIAMS (Arnold F. Smith Sr.)	94.5	X			
HICKIWAN 146.0	1. ALEX JOSE ()	73.0	X			
	2. LLOYD FRANCISCO (Susan Sam)	73.0	X			
GU VO 142.0	1. FERN SALCIDO (Larry Montana)	71.0	X			X
	2. GLORIA MONTANA (Phillip Antone)	71.0	X			
SAN LUCY 114.0	1. JOHN RENO (Mary Hoffman)	57.0	X			
	2. ALBERT MANUEL, JR. (Jana Montana)	57.0	X			
PISINEMO 139.0	1. BARBARA SALVICIO ()	69.5	X			X
	2. JOHNSON JOSE ()	69.5	X			
GU ACHI 190.0	1. LOUIS JOHNSON ()	95.0	X			X
	2. ALEX J. RAMON ()	95.0	X			
BABOQUIVARI 258.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL ()	129.0	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (Edward N. Kisto)	129.0	X			
SAN XAVIER 146.0	1. TONY BURRELL ()	73.0	X			X
	2. DENNIS RAMON ()	73.0	X			
SCHUK TOAK 120.0	1. JOSEPH JUAN ()	60.0	X			X
	2. AMBROSE ENCINAS ()	60.0	X			
SELLS 322.0	1. DENNIS E. JOSE ()	161.0	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN ()	161.0	X			
SIF OIDAK 161.0	1. RITA MARTINEZ (Maxine Norris)	80.5	X			X
	2. MARY ANN ANTONE (Darlene Andrew)	80.5	X			
TOTAL		1,927.0	1,927.0	-0-	-0-	[06]

**PASSED VOTES