

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Supporting Federal Legislation to Reclassify Homeland Security Investigations**  
**Tactical Officers "Shadow Wolves" as Special Agents)**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-091

1 **WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with**  
2 **the authority to "promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals,**  
3 **education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members"**  
4 **and to "consult with the Congress of the United States and appropriate federal**  
5 **agencies regarding federal activities that affect the Tohono O'odham Nation. . ."**  
6 **(Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(j)); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian tribe**  
8 **located on approximately 4,500 square miles in southern Arizona, with**  
9 **approximately 65 miles of its border on the International Boundary with Mexico;**  
10 **and**

11 **WHEREAS, over many years, the Nation has cooperated with the U.S. Customs and Border**  
12 **Protection to stem the flow of narcotics and undocumented immigrants while**  
13 **maintaining the Nation's opposition to a physical wall (Resolution No. 17-053);**  
14 **and**

15 **WHEREAS, since 1974, the Nation has allowed the U.S. Customs Service to staff a facility in**  
16 **Sells, and in return the U.S. Customs Service employed up to 25 Native Americans**  
17 **as Customs Patrol Officers; and**

18 **WHEREAS, around 1985, the U.S. Customs Service organized these Native American Customs**  
19 **Patrol Officers into a select unit which came to be known as the "Shadow Wolves,"**  
20 **which utilized the unique knowledge and skill of Native Americans to track and**  
21 **interdict smugglers crossing the lands of the Nation; and**

22 **WHEREAS, the Shadow Wolves have gained an international reputation as a small but highly**  
23 **effective interdiction unit of the U.S. Customs Service; and**

24 **WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Kyrsten Sinema is proposing a bill to authorize the Director of U.S.**  
25 **Immigration and Customs Enforcement to reclassify the members of the Shadow**  
26 **Wolves unit from tactical officers to special agents; and**

27 **WHEREAS, this reclassification could improve the pay scale for Shadow Wolves, improve**  
28 **their ability to enforce immigration and customs laws, and better investigate and**  
29 **track cross-border illegal activity; and**

30 **WHEREAS, the Nation's chairperson, Border Security Delegation, Appropriations and**  
31 **Domestic Affairs Committees have reviewed the legislation and recommend**  
32 **support.**  
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council supports federal legislation to reclassify Homeland Security Investigations Tactical Officers "Shadow Wolves" as special agents.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 06<sup>TH</sup> day of MARCH, 2020 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,175.7 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(c)(2)and(j) 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

[Signature]
Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman
6 day of March, 2020

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary
6 day of March, 2020

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 6 day of March, 2020 at 4:54 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

[Signature]
Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

[X] APPROVED

on the 06 day of March, 2020

[ ] DISAPPROVED

at 5:22 o'clock, P.m.

[Signature]
NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

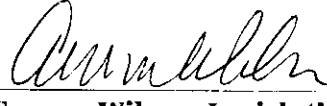
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1 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 6 day of

2 March, 2020, at 5:32 o'clock, p.m.

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7 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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**ACTION:** SUPPORTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO RECLASSIFY HOMELAND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS TACTICAL OFFICERS "SHADOW WOLVES" AS SPECIAL AGENTS

**MOVED:** COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

**SECOND:** COUNCILWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY

**DATE:** MARCH 06, 2020

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 384.8	1. LEANDER MASE ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Francine Schooling) ( <i>Present</i> ) 2. ALBERTA J. RAY (Frances G. Antone)	192.40 192.40	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 347.5	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Juanita Homer) ( <i>Present</i> ) 2. MARLAKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez)	173.75 173.75	X X			X
GUACHI 279.3	1. VICTORIA HOBBS ( ) 2. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Louis L. Johnson)	139.65 139.65	X X			
GU VO 264.5	1. DALLAS LEWIS ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Nacho Flores) ( <i>Present</i> ) 2. GRACE MANUEL ( )	132.25 132.25	X X			
HICKIWAN 213.8	1. SANDRA D. ORTEGA ( ) 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Delma M. Garcia)	106.90 106.90	X X			
PISINEMO 230.7	1. MONICA K. MORGAN ( ) 2. MARIETTA MARTIN ( )	115.35 115.35	X X			
SAN LUCY 235.6	1. GLORIA RAMIREZ ( ) 2. JANA MONTANA ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Lorraine M. Eiler) ( <i>Present</i> )	117.80 117.80	X X			
SAN XAVIER 238.9	1. JANICE FELIX (Adam Andrews) 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner)	119.45 119.45	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 189.0	1. QUINTIN C. LOPEZ (Agnes V. Joaquin) 2. TERESA F. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza)	94.50 94.50	X X			
SELLS 547.1	1. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL ( ) 2. ARTHUR WILSON ( )	273.55 273.55	X X			
SIF OIDAK 244.5	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Yolonda Garcia) 2. MARY LOPEZ (Ann M. Garcia)	122.25 122.25	X X			X
TOTAL		3,175.7	3,175.7	-0-	-0-	[02]