

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Extending the Timeframe for the Appointment of Nation's Department of
Human Resources Executive Director Appointee Doreen Thomas)**

**DEFEATED
RESOLUTION NO. 22-186**

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Nation's chairperson
2 with authority to appoint the Nation's treasurer, and other officers and heads of
3 all governmental departments with the approval of the Tohono O'odham
4 Legislative Council (Constitution, Article VII, Section 2(e)); and

5 **WHEREAS,** the Nation's Chairman Ned Norris, Jr. appointed Doreen Thomas as the Nation's
6 Department of Human Resources executive director on September 14, 2021,
7 subject to the approval of the Legislative Council; and

8 **WHEREAS,** the Appointed Officers law, 1 T.O.C. Chapter 4, establishes the process for
9 legislative review of appointments by the appropriate oversight committee and
10 the Council, and Section 4003(B) identifies the documents and information
11 required for review, including the current job description, appointee's current
12 resume, contact information, and current written background investigation
13 report; and

14 **WHEREAS,** by Resolution No. 21-427, the Legislative Council repealed Resolution No. 20-121
15 "Suspending Timeframes in the Appointed Officers Law Due to the COVID-19
16 Pandemic" and, effective November 22, 2021, authorized . . . "2. the start of the
17 process of review and consideration pursuant to the Appointed Officers law by the
18 appropriate oversight committee regardless of the status of the Legislative
19 Branch offices closure . . ."; and

20 **WHEREAS,** the Section 4003(B) documents, including a complete background investigation
21 report, required for committee review of Department of Human of Resources
22 Executive Director Appointee Doreen Thomas were due by March 22, 2022 in
23 order for the Appointee to continue to perform the functions of, or be
24 compensated for performing the duties of, an appointed officer pursuant to the
25 Appointed Officers law (1 T.O.C. Chapter 4, Section 4003(F)); and

26 **WHEREAS,** on March 24, 2022, the Human Resources Development Committee notified
27 Chairman Norris that the background investigation report provided for
28 Executive Director Appointee Doreen Thomas was incomplete; and

29 **WHEREAS,** due to unforeseen delays in background investigations caused by incomplete or
30 insufficient information provided, the complete Section 4003(B) documents for
31 Appointee Doreen Thomas were not provided to the Legislative Council Human
32 Resources Development Committee within the required timeframe; and

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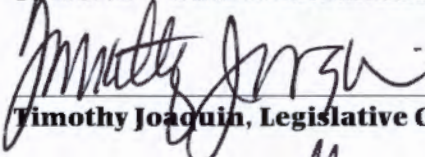
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1 **WHEREAS, the Office of the Chairman and Vice Chairwoman have requested that the**
2 **Legislative Council Human Resources Development support an extension to the**
3 **timeframes provided under the Appointed Officers law, 1 T.O.C. Chapter 4; and**
4 **WHEREAS, the Human Resources Development Committee recommends approving the**
5 **extension of timeframes.**
6 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council extends the**
7 **deadline for submitting complete Section 4003(B) documents for Human**
8 **Resources Department Executive Director Appointee Doreen Thomas to the**
9 **Human Resources Development Committee; provided that the appointee shall**
10 **not perform the functions of, or be compensated for performing the duties of, an**
11 **appointed officer after June 15, 2022 unless she is appointed by Legislative**
12 **Council resolution or the Legislative Council approves an additional extension by**
13 **resolution.**

14 **The foregoing Resolution was defeated by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 13TH**
15 **day of MAY, 2022 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 1,065.5 FOR; 1,352.2**
16 **AGAINST; 556.5[02] NOT VOTING and 243.8[06] ARSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
17 **Council by Article VII, Section 2(e) and Article VI, Section 1(l) of the Constitution of the Tohono**
18 **O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by**
19 **the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant**
20 **to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

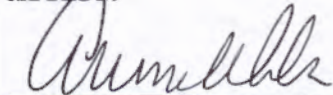
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23 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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28 **Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman**

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35 **ATTEST:**

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39 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

40 19 day of May, 2022
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ACTION: EXTENDING THE TIMEFRAME FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF NATION'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APPOINTEE DOREEN THOMAS

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN JANICE FELIX

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN TERESA F. DONAHUE

DATE: MAY 13, 2022

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 245.6	1. MARY LOPEZ (Ann M. Garcia) 2. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa)	122.8 122.8	X X			X
SELLS 556.5	1. ARTHUR WILSON () 2. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	278.25 278.25			X X	X
SCHUK TOAK 190.5	1. TERESA F. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco)	95.25 95.25	X X			
SAN XAVIER 242.6	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner) 2. JANICE FELIX (Adam P. Andrews)	121.3 121.3	X X			
SAN LUCY 243.8	1. JANA MONTANA (Lorraine M. Eiler) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	121.9 121.9				X X
PISINEMO 232.7	1. MARIETTA MARTIN () 2. EDWARD D. MANUEL (Monica Morgan)	116.35 116.35		X X		
HICKIWAN 216.6	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ () 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	108.3 108.3	X	X		
GU VO 270.7	1. GRACE MANUEL () 2. CYNTHIA SAAVEDRA (Dallas Lewis)	135.35 135.35		X X	X	
GU ACHI 278.5	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN () 2. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	139.25 139.25	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 351.6	1. MARIKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez) 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	175.8 175.8		X X		X
BABOQUIVARI 388.9	1. ALBERTA J. RAY (Absent) (Frances G. Antone) (Present) 2. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling)	194.45 194.45		X X		X
TOTAL		3,218.0	1,065.5	1,352.2	556.2 [02]	243.8 [06]