

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Affirming the Tohono O'odham Nation's Health Care State Legislation Positions)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-032**

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, negotiate and conclude agreements and contracts on behalf of  
5                    the Tohono O'odham Nation with Federal, State and local governments"  
6                    (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(f)); and

7   **WHEREAS,**    the Tohono O'odham Nation has taken positions in support of and in opposition  
8                    to proposed state health care legislation (e.g. Resolution No. 19-053 "Supporting  
9                    Arizona Senate Bill 1134," Resolution No. 22-114 "Supporting Arizona House and  
10                    Senate Health Bills"); and

11 **WHEREAS,**    in order to effectively advocate for state health care legislation that benefits the  
12                    Nation and its members and to oppose state legislation that may limit access to,  
13                    or cut funding for, important health care services, the Appropriations and Health  
14                    and Human Services Committees recommend affirming the Nation's health care  
15                    state legislation positions.

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council affirms  
17                    Resolution Nos. 19-053 and 22-114, and its prior positions on the substance of the  
18                    Tohono O'odham Nation's state health care legislation, by continuing to support  
19                    legislation that:

- 20                    (1)    expands Nation's members' access to health care, including dental care;
- 21                    (2)    increases funding for health care services, including Arizona's Medicaid;
- 22                    (3)    increases funding for drug abuse prevention, treatment, and mental  
23                    health services;
- 24                    (4)    expands Kidscare eligibility; and
- 25                    (5)    expands tribal access to health care resources.

26 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council opposes state health  
27                    care legislation that limits funding, access to, or eligibility for health care  
28                    services and resources.

29 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
30 **day of JANUARY, 2023 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,729.8 FOR; -0-**  
31 **AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 488.2 [06] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council**  
32 **by, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(f) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation,**  
33 **adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy**  
34 **Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the**  
35 **Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

*Timothy Joaquin*

Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

20 day of January, 2023

ATTEST:

*Evonne Wilson*

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

20 day of January, 2023

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 20 day of January, 2023 at 8:00 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

*Timothy Joaquin*

Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED

on the 20 day of January, 2023

DISAPPROVED

at 8:20 o'clock, P.m.

*Ned Norris, Jr.*

NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 20 day of

January, 2023, at 8:15 o'clock, P.m.

*Evonne Wilson*

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: AFFIRMING THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION'S HEALTH CARE STATE LEGISLATION POSITIONS

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN GRACE MANUEL

DATE: JANUARY 13, 2023

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF Oidak 245.6	1. MARY LOPEZ (Ann M. Garcia)	122.8				X
	2. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa)	122.8				X
SELLS 556.5	1. ARTHUR WILSON ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Shelia Espino) ( <i>Present</i> )	278.25	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	278.25	X			
SCHUK TOAK 190.5	1. TERESA F. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza)	95.25	X			
	2. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco)	95.25	X			
SAN XAVIER 242.6	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner)	121.3				X
	2. JANICE FELIX ( )	121.3				X
SAN LUCY 243.8	1. JANA MONTANA (Lorraine M. Eiler)	121.9	X			
	2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	121.9	X			
PISINEMO 232.7	1. MARIETTA MARTIN ( )	116.35	X			
	2. EDWARD D. MANUEL (Monica Morgan)	116.35	X			
HICKIWAN 216.6	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ ( )	108.3	X			X
	2. DELMA M. GARCIA ( )	108.3	X			
GU VO 270.7	1. GRACE MANUEL ( )	135.35	X			
	2. CYNTHIA SAAVEDRA ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Dallas Lewis) ( <i>Present</i> )	135.35	X			
GU ACHI 278.5	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN ( )	139.25	X			
	2. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	139.25	X			
CHUKUT KUK 351.6	1. MARLAKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez)	175.8	X			
	2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	175.8	X			
BABOQUIVARI 388.9	1. ALBERTA J. RAY ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Frances G. Antone) ( <i>Present</i> )	194.45	X			X
	2. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling)	194.45	X			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,218.0</b>	<b>2,729.8</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>488.2</b> <b>[06]</b>