

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Amending the List of Traditional O'odham Leaders of the O'odham in Mexico**  
**Communities and Traditional Government)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-117**

1 **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article XVI, Section 9 of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham  
2 Nation,

3 It shall be the policy of the Tohono O'odham Nation to seek the return to  
4 the Tohono O'odham Nation of lands and natural resources, including  
5 minerals and water rights, within or adjacent to the Tohono O'odham  
6 Nation, or which originally were a part of the historic Papaguera.

7 ; and

8 **WHEREAS,** in 1995, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council adopted Resolution No. 95-562,  
9 "Recognition of the O'odham in Mexico Communities and Traditional  
10 Government" in order to address issues for the Tohono O'odham members who  
11 reside on Tohono O'odham ancestral land in Mexico; and

12 **WHEREAS,** Resolution No. 95-562 recognized a list of Traditional O'odham Leaders in Mexico,  
13 which was updated by Resolution No. 05-725, Resolution No. 13-444 (to add the  
14 Pitiquito Community and Community representative and alternate), Resolution  
15 No. 16-160 (to update the Traditional O'odham Leaders list to include Wo'osan/El  
16 Bajio Community representative and alternate), Resolution No. 18-049, and  
17 Resolution No. 19-417; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the current Traditional O'odham Leaders in Mexico list includes representatives  
19 who have either resigned, expired or no longer can serve in their official  
20 capacities; and

21 **WHEREAS,** on August 20, 2023 in Son Oidak (Sonoyta), Sonora, Mexico, Francisco Valenzuela,  
22 Sr. was appointed Governor and Ana Antone was appointed Lieutenant Governor,  
23 along with other updated Traditional O'odham Leaders representatives; and

24 **WHEREAS,** on May 21, 2023 at Magdalena, Sonora, Mexico the Traditional O'odham Leaders  
25 accepted and approved the appointments as referenced by the attached  
26 Resolution of the Traditional O'odham Leaders, Resolution No. 2024-01; and

27 **WHEREAS,** it is necessary to update the list of Traditional O'odham Leaders, including  
28 recognition of a new governor and lieutenant governor of O'odham in Mexico.

29 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council amends and  
30 updates the list of Traditional O'odham Leaders approved by Resolution No. 95-  
31 562, Resolution No. 05-725, Resolution No. 13-444, Resolution No. 16-160;  
32 Resolution No. 18-049; and Resolution No. 19-417 as follows:

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1	<b><u>Cedagi Wahia/Pozo Verde</u></b>	<b><u>Wo'oson/El Bajio</u></b>
2	<b>Jayne M. Juan - Primary</b>	<b>Matilda S. Juan - Primary</b>
3	<b>Ana Toro - Alternate</b>	<b>Bellina Nez - Alternate</b>
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5	<b><u>Kom Wahia/Cumalito</u></b>	<b><u>Ku Wahia/Cubabic</u></b>
6	<b>Joaquin Estevan Reyna - Primary</b>	<b>Regina Valenzuela - Primary</b>
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8	<b><u>Cu:wi I-gersk/San Francisquito</u></b>	<b><u>Nepodagk/Represso Enrique</u></b>
9	<b>Ofelia G. Parra - Primary</b>	<b>Cruz Parra - Primary</b>
10	<b>Julianne Ruelas - Alternate</b>	<b>Monica Parra - Alternate</b>
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12	<b><u>Wa:pk/ Carrizalito</u></b>	<b><u>So Oidak/Sonoyta</u></b>
13	<b>Nora Canez Ruelas - Primary</b>	<b>Gabriela Lizarraga Juarez - Primary</b>
14	<b>Idolina Celaya - Alternate</b>	<b>Juan Salcido Uriarte - Alternate</b>
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16	<b><u>Wa:k/Quito Vac</u></b>	<b><u>Nolik/Las Norias</u></b>
17	<b>Doraly Velasco Leon - Primary</b>	<b>VACANT - Primary</b>
18	<b>Laura Lorenia Montijo Velasco - Alternate</b>	<b>VACANT - Alternate</b>
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20	<b><u>S-cuk Su:dagi/Pozo Prieto</u></b>	<b><u>Totssagi/Rancho Espuma</u></b>
21	<b>Maria Luisa Varela Garcia - Primary</b>	<b>Juliana Flores - Primary</b>
22	<b>Ramona Guadalupe Varela Garcia - Alternate</b>	
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24	<b><u>A:l Pi'ichkin (Pitiquito)</u></b>	<b><u>Hodai K:uk (Puerto Peñasco)</u></b>
25	<b>Francisca Salas Rodríguez - Primary</b>	<b>Ana Maria Sosa Valenzuela - Primary</b>
26	<b>Maria del Carmen Salas Rodriguez - Alternate</b>	<b>Lydia Zulema Sosa Valenzuela - Alternate</b>
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28	<b><u>Ka:wolk (Caborca)</u></b>	<b><u>Ge'e Pi'ckin/Hermosillo</u></b>
29	<b>Rosa Elva Miranda Miranda - Primary</b>	<b>Miguel Dario Burgos Matrecito - Primary</b>
30	<b>Ma. Dolores Badillo Araiza- Alternate</b>	<b>Silvia Guadalupe Galaz Ortega - Alternate</b>
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32	<b><u>O'o ke:k/Ocuca</u></b>	
33	<b>Pastor Javier Figueroa Traslavina - Primary</b>	
34	<b>Daniel Oriol Figueroa Cervantes - Alternate</b>	

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1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council recognizes Francisco**  
2 **Valenzuela, Sr. as the Governor of O'odham in Mexico and Ana Antone as the**  
3 **Lieutenant Governor of O'odham in Mexico.**

4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the effective date of these amendments and updates is October**  
5 **1, 2023.**

6 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all matters affecting O'odham in Mexico will be presented to the**  
7 **Traditional O'odham Leaders who have the responsibility for determining their**  
8 **issues and any and all matters will be presented to the Tohono O'odham Nation**  
9 **Government through the Governor and/or the Lieutenant Governor in his**  
10 **absence.**

11 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
12 **day of APRIL 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,263.3 FOR; -0-**  
13 **AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by**  
14 **Article XVI, Section 9 of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono**  
15 **O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary -**  
16 **Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934**  
17 **(48 Stat.984).**

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19 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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22 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

23 **15<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2024**

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28 **ATTEST:**

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31 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

32 **12 day of April, 2024**

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35 **Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono**  
36 **O'odham Nation on the 15<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2024 at 9:57 o'clock, A.m.,**  
37 **pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become**  
38 **effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48**  
39 **hours of submittal.**

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41 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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44 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

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APPROVED

on the 15 day of April, 2024

DISAPPROVED

at 7:53 o'clock, p. .m.



VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 16 day of

April, 2024, at 11:30 o'clock, a .m.



Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

**ACTION: AMENDING THE LIST OF TRADITIONAL O'ODHAM LEADERS OF THE O'ODHAM IN MEXICO COMMUNITIES AND TRADITIONAL GOVERNMENT**

**Moved: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY**

**SECOND: COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN**

**DATE: APRIL 10, 2024**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling) 2. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1 197.1	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone) 2. MARLAKAY HENRY ( )	177.35 177.35	X X			
GUACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin) 2. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Jerome L. Joaquin)	141.35 141.35	X X			
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS ( ) 2. LESLIE LUNA (Grace Mannel)	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA ( ) 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25 110.25	X X			
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL (Monica Morgan) 2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1 118.1	X X			
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews) 2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	128.8 128.8	X X			
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX ( ) 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ( )	122.25 122.25	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco) 2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9 95.9	X X			
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston) 2. JANET B. ELEANDO ( )	279.0 279.0	X X			
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homewytewa) 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,263.30</b>	<b>3,263.3</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>