

**LEGISLATIVE ORDER OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Recognizing Schuk Toak District Council Appointment and Seating Neddie Blaine as a
Legislative Council Representative)**

LEGISLATIVE ORDER NO. 11-120

1 **WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation empowers the Legislative Council to**
2 **“enact laws and ordinances for conducting and regulating elections” and provides**
3 **that the “decision of the Tohono O'odham Council in all election matters, including**
4 **the eligibility and qualifications of candidates, shall be final” (Constitution, Article VI,**
5 **Section 1(g) and Article X, Section 7); and**

6 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation Election Board conducted the 2009 general election on**
7 **Saturday, May 23, 2009 for the offices of representatives and alternates to the Tohono**
8 **O'odham Legislative Council and district councils; and**

9 **WHEREAS, Linda Parley was elected to the open Legislative Council representative seat for Schuk**
10 **Toak District during the 2009 general election; and**

11 **WHEREAS, on February 12, 2011, the Schuk Toak District Council approved the appointment of**
12 **Neddie Blaine as Representative Parley's alternate (Schuk Toak District Council**
13 **Resolution No. ST-02-12-11-15); and**

14 **WHEREAS, effective April 1, 2011, Representative Linda Parley resigned her office from the**
15 **Tohono O'odham Legislative Council; and**

16 **WHEREAS, on April 2, 2011, the Schuk Toak District Council approved the appointment of Neddie**
17 **Blaine to fill the vacancy left by former Representative Linda Parley (Schuk Toak**
18 **District Council Resolution No. ST-04-02-11-48); and**

19 **WHEREAS, although the Uniform Election Ordinance does not expressly empower a district**
20 **council to appoint a representative to the Legislative Council, the district council's**
21 **power to fill a vacant Legislative Council representative's seat has been repeatedly**
22 **recognized as a means of ensuring that each district is fully represented on the**
23 **Legislative Council; and**

24 **WHEREAS, the Legislative Rules of the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council, as amended, provide**
25 **that “[w]hen a Legislative Council representative leaves office during his or her term,**
26 **any resulting vacancy on a Legislative Council committee shall be filled by the**
27 **representative's successor in office.” (Legislative Rules, Article XII, Section 3(L)).**

28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Legislative Council that it (1) affirms Schuk Toak District**
29 **Council Resolution No. ST-04-02-11-48 appointing Neddie Blaine to fill the vacancy on**
30 **the Legislative Council left by former Representative Linda Parley and (2) seats Neddie**
31 **Blaine to fill the vacancy left by former Representative Linda Parley, provided that**
32 **Representative Blaine shall hold office for the unexpired term of her predecessor.**

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1 **BE IT FINALLY ORDERED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that Representative Neddie
2 **Blaine is appointed to the Agricultural, Judiciary, and Natural Resources Committee**
3 **memberships that have been left vacant by Representative Linda Parley's resignation.**

4 **The foregoing Order was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 04TH day of**
5 **APRIL, 2011 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,595.50 FOR; -0- AGAINST;**
6 **-0- NOT VOTING; and [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Section 1 (g) of**
7 **Article VI and Section 7 of Article X of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by**
8 **the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant**
9 **Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June**
10 **18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).**

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13 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

14 *Felicia Muey for*
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16 **Verlon M. Jose, Legislative Chairman**

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18 *8th* day of *April*, 2011

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21 **ATTEST:**

22 *Evonne Wilson*
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24 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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26 *7* day of *April*, 2011

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ACTION: RECOGNIZING SCHUK TOAK DISTRICT COUNCIL APPOINTMENT AND SEATING NEDDIE BLAINE AS A LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Moved: COUNCILWOMAN OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN LORRAINE EILER

DATE: APRIL 04, 2011

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF ODAK 198.7	1. WAVALENE ROMERO (Nicholas Jose)	99.35	X			
	2. MARY LOPEZ ()	99.35	X			
SELLS 449.6	1. KIMBERLY MULL ()	224.80	X			
	2. EVELYN B. JUAN MANUEL ()	224.80	X			
SCHUK TOAK 159.0	1. FRANCES B. CONDE <i>(Absent)</i> (Fredrick Jose) <i>(Present)</i>	79.50	X			
	2. LINDA PARLEY (Agnes Joaquin)	79.50	X			
SAN XAVIER 204.7	1. FELICIA NUÑEZ ()	102.35	X			
	2. OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON (Eugene Enis)	102.35	X			
SAN LUCY 187.1	1. LORRAINE EILER ()	93.55	X			
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	93.55	X			X
PISINEMO 184.5	1. CHESTER ANTONE (Tony Murrietta)	92.25	X			
	2. EDWARD MANUEL (Gerald Fayuant)	92.25	X			X
HICKIWAN 174.5	1. MICHELLE ORTEGA ()	87.25	X			
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	87.25	X			X
GU VO 206.3	1. GRACE MANUEL ()	103.15	X			
	2. PAMELA ANGHILL (Angela Ortiz)	103.15	X			
GU ACHI 230.1	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN ()	115.05	X			
	2. CYNTHIA E. MANUEL (Louis L. Johnson)	115.05	X			
CHUKUT KUK 277.0	1. ETHEL GARCIA (Sara Mae Williams)	138.50	X			
	2. VERLON M. JOSE ()	138.50	X			X
BABOQIVARI 324.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL <i>(Absent)</i> (Roberta Harvey) <i>(Present)</i>	162.0	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE <i>(Absent)</i> (Vernon Smith) <i>(Present)</i>	162.0	X			
TOTAL		2,595.50	2,595.50	-0-	-0-	[04]