

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(A Resolution to Declare an Outbreak of the Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
on the Tohono O'odham Nation)**

RESOLUTION NO. 11-555

1 **WHEREAS, there has been a confirmed human case of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (RMSF) on**
2 **the Tohono O'odham Nation as of October 13, 2011; and**

3 **WHEREAS, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is a potentially serious bacterial infection transmitted**
4 **to humans by tick bites; and**

5 **WHEREAS, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever occurs when an infected tick attaches to a person's skin**
6 **and feed on their blood; and**

7 **WHEREAS, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever can be a serious, sometimes fatal disease; and**

8 **WHEREAS, the Nation has never had a confirmed human case of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever**
9 **on the Nation and therefore, considers this an outbreak and declares it as such; and**

10 **WHEREAS, the results of a dog serasurvey conducted by the Centers for Disease Control show that**
11 **38% of the dog population of the Nation are positive for the RMSF antibodies; and**

12 **WHEREAS, this high number of dogs positive for RMSF requires a response to control the tick**
13 **population on the Nation; and**

14 **WHEREAS, in the absence of an animal control program the Nation is directing the Department**
15 **of Natural Resources to be the primary responsible department in assisting in the**
16 **treatment of dogs and yards of dog owners; and**

17 **WHEREAS, in order to further control the dog population the Nation's Law Enforcement must**
18 **begin to cite pet owners with more than the two dog limit; and**

19 **WHEREAS, in order to address this outbreak of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever the Nation is**
20 **requesting technical assistance from the Indian Health Service, the Centers for**
21 **Disease Control, the Arizona Department of Health Services and Pima County; and**

22 **WHEREAS, the Nation further requests emergency funding from the Indian Health Service as well**
23 **as other sources for direct funding or reimbursement to aid in the containment and**
24 **eradication of this disease on the Nation.**

25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council hereby declares**
26 **an outbreak of the Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever on the Tohono O'odham Nation.**

27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health and Human Services will continue to**
28 **provide information and education to the public on Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever.**

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1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Department of Natural Resources is directed to be the primary
2 department with assistance from other resources in the treatment of dogs and
3 homeowner's yards to control the tick population.

4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Department of Public Safety take the lead in enforcement of
5 the Nation's Animal Code, in particular, the issuing of citations to individuals who
6 have more than the two dog limit in order to control the dog population.

7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Nation formally requests the assistance of
8 the Indian Health Service and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) as well as the State
9 of Arizona and the Pima County Health Department.

10 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Nation is requesting emergency funding
11 from the Indian Health Services as well as other sources to address this declared
12 outbreak of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever on the Tohono O'odham Nation.

13 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council strongly urges pet owners
14 to properly care for their pets to include spay and neutering and protecting them from
15 becoming infested with ticks.

16 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 21st Day
17 of **NOVEMBER, 2011** at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of **2,553.90 FOR; -0-**
18 **AGAINST; 226.70 [02] NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT**, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council
19 by Section 1 (c)(2) & (i) of Article VI of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by
20 the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant
21 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June
22 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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25 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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29 Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

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33 **ATTEST:**

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36 Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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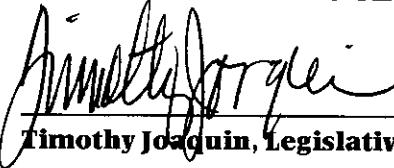
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1 Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham
2 Nation on the 30 day of November, 2011 at 8:38 o'clock, A.M.,
3 pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective
4 upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of
5 submittal.

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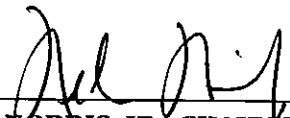
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on the 01 day of December, 2011

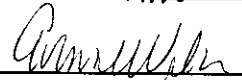
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18 DISAPPROVED

at 11:55 o'clock, A.M.

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23 NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
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28 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 1 day of

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30 December, 2011, at 12:12 o'clock, P.M.

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34 Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE AN OUTBREAK OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPOTTED FEVER ON THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN SANDRA ORTEGA

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2011

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 342.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL (Roberta Harvey)	171.0	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (Vernon Smith)	171.0	X			
CHUKUT KUK 302.2	1. ETHEL GARCIA (Sara Mae Williams)	151.10	X			
	2. BILLMAN LOPEZ ()	151.10	X			
GU ACHI 244.9	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Rose Johnson Antone)	122.45	X			
	2. CYNTHIA E. MANUEL (Louis L. Johnson)	122.45	X			
GU VO 226.7	1. GRACE MANUEL (Floyd Flores)	113.35			X	
	2. PAMELA ANGHILL ()	113.35			X	
HICKIWAN 186.3	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Michelle Ortega)	93.15	X			
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	93.15	X			
PISINEMO 200.7	1. CHESTER ANTONE ()	100.35	X			
	2. EDWARD MANUEL (Gerald Fayuant)	100.35	X			
SAN LUCY 204.6	1. LORRAINE EILER ()	102.30	X			
	2. JANA MONTANA (Gloria Ramirez)	102.30	X			
SAN XAVIER 215.8	1. HILARION CAMPUS ()	107.90	X			X
	2. OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON (Eugene Enis)	107.90	X			
SCHUK TOAK 169.8	1. FRANCES B. CONDE ()	84.90	X			
	2. FREDERICK JOSE (Phyllis Cachora)	84.90	X			
SELLS 475.7	1. ARTHUR WILSON (Kimberly Mull)	237.85	X			
	2. EVELYN B. JUAN MANUEL ()	237.85	X			
SIF OIDAK 211.9	1. NICHOLAS JOSE ()	105.95	X			X
	2. MARY LOPEZ ()	105.95	X			
TOTAL		2,780.60	2,553.90	-0-	226.70 [02]	[02]