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Re: Letter of Support for Sami Hamed for Pima County Treasurer

To the Honorable Chair and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors:

Lios enchim aniavu, Supervisors, ketchem allea? On behalf of the Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council, we respectfully ask that the Board of Supervisors support and select Mr. Sami Hamed to fill the vacancy in the Office of the Pima County Treasurer. We thank the Pima County Board for considering the Tribe's input. Approximately 75% of our population live off-Reservation, many reside in our historical communities of Old Pascua, Barrio Libre in South Tucson, and Yoem Pueblo (Marana). Like all Pima County residents, we rely on our Arizona State Officials to be our voice in the operation of Pima County. Mr. Hamed is highly qualified and would be an excellent replacement for all Pima County residents, including those who reside within our Reservation and in our off-reservation communities.

The Office of the Pima County Treasurer is an important public office entrusted with significant responsibilities involving the collection, management, investment, and distribution of public funds. At a time of transition, it is critical that the Board appoint a qualified, steady, and trustworthy individual who understands the importance of fiscal accountability, transparency, and public service.

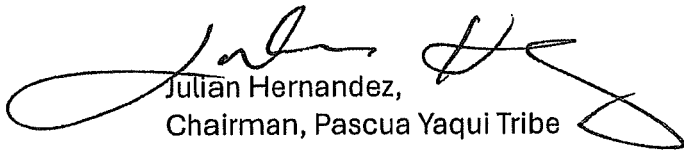
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We believe Mr. Hamed will approach this appointment with the seriousness and accountability that the position requires. His appointment would help ensure that the Treasurer's Office continues to operate in a manner that protects public resources, maintains public trust, and serves all communities throughout Pima County, including the Pascua Yaqui Community.

Accordingly, we urge you to select Mr. Hamed because he is qualified, he knows the community, and because it will be consistent with previous efforts for Pima County and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe.

Lios aapo enchim (may God be with you),



Julian Hernandez,
Chairman, Pascua Yaqui Tribe