

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

375 River Street  
Manistee MI 49660

**Resolution # 09-0409-88**

*Approval of a grant application to the U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, under the OVW Recovery Act – Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00 for a three year project*

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhíng Zíibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal members have been victims of domestic violence, including dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking; and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides the U. S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) with funding for grants to combat violence against women; and

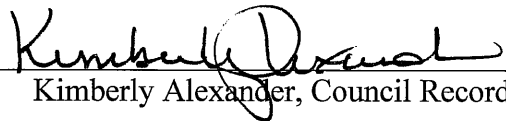
WHEREAS, OVW subsequently developed a Grants to Indian Tribes Program for this same purpose; and


WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) very much wants to increase its ability to respond to domestic violence as well as improve services available to help tribal member victims of domestic violence.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution approves the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, under the OVW Recovery Act Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00 for a three year project period.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 3 ABSENT, at an Emergency Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 9, 2009, at the Little River Band's Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Kimberly Alexander, Council Recorder

  
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Don Koon, Council Speaker

Attest:

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