

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

375 River Street
Manistee MI 49660

Resolution # 09-0218-31

*Resolution Approving the Submission of a Grant Application to the DOJDP
FY2009 National Mentoring Program*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi 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 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, an effective Tribal Youth Mentoring Program would contribute to the personal development of at-risk Tribal Youth; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Peacemaking Department has a focused interest in mentoring and wishes to apply for funding from the U.S. Department of Justice's National Mentoring Program (CFDA #16i.726) to further develop and implement a Tribal Youth Mentoring Program through the Peacemaking Department; and

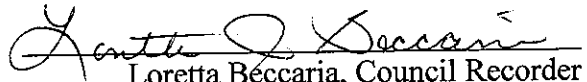
WHEREAS, the Peacemaking Department has also reviewed the program announcement and worked to develop a grant application in response to the notice; and

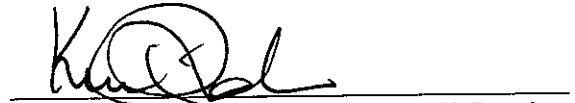
WHEREAS, there is a broader tribal interest in improving youth outcomes as well as an interest in improving the Tribe's capacity to affect positive changes in the lives of its members.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council by this resolution approves the submission of a National Mentoring Program funding request in the approximate amount of \$237,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice for a three-year Tribal Youth Mentoring Program initiative.

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 a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 18, 2009, at the Little River Band's Governmental Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.


Loretta Béccaria, Council Recorder


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