Resolution #09-0224-46

Authorizing the Ogema and/or his Delegate to Negotiate and Execute The Blue Cross Blue Shield Contract Consistent with the Approved Changes

WHEREAS, the Tribe’s status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, 108 Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C. §1300k et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a 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 vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Tribe’s Constitution, to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(a), of the Tribe’s Constitution to ratify agreements between the Tribe and other governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is vested with the authority under Article V, Section 5(a)(3) of the Tribe’s Constitution to consult, negotiate and execute agreements and contracts on behalf of the Little River Band; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #08-1029-372, Tribal Council rescinded Resolution #05-0223-92 which had allowed the Little River Casino Resort to enter into any and all contracts without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema, or his delegate, previously entered into and executed a contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield to provide insurance coverage to Resort employees; and
WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema and the Board of Directors wishes to renegotiate the contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield to incorporate the attached approved changes which are in the best interests of the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Ogema and/or his delegate to negotiate and execute the Blue Cross Blue Shield Contract consistent with the attached approved changes.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 3 ABSENT, at a Special Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 24, 2009, at the Little River Band’s Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Loretta Beccaria, Council Recorder

Attest:

Don Koon, Council Speaker

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