Resolution # 09-0624-176

Approving Change of Insurance Carrier for Elder Supplemental Insurance, for Medical and Prescription Drug Coverage from Guaranteed Trust Life (GTL) to United American Insurance Company

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 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, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, Guaranteed Trust Life (GTL) is the current carrier for the Elder Supplemental Insurance; and

WHEREAS, each carrier was given the opportunity to quote rates for the coverage; and
WHEREAS, United American Insurance Company rates were lower than Guaranteed Trust Life (GTL) and provided the same level of coverage or better; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT, effective August 1, 2009, the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians does hereby approve the change in carriers from Guaranteed Trust Life (GTL) to United American Insurance Company for Medical and Prescription Drug Coverage for the Elders Supplemental Insurance program.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 24, 2009, at the Little River Band’s Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

[Signature]
Janene M Sam, Council Recorder

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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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