Resolution # 09-1104-306

Authorizing Use Public Information In Native American Rights Fund Publication

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshináábek (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, Kaighn Smith, Jr., one of the Tribe’s retained legal consultants, has been asked to participate in a project with the Native American Rights Fund (“NARF”) which involves preparing a summary of Tribal labor law regimes, including those of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has been asked to authorize the use of limited information relating to the Little River Band in the NARF publication, all of which is available to the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema believe that use of public information in the Native American Rights Funds’ summary of Tribal labor law regimes will have no adverse effect on the general welfare of the Little River Band and its members.
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes inclusion of information which is available to the general public in the Native American Rights Fund project.

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 Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 4, 2009, at the Little River Band’s Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Jamie M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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