WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšínaáhek (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 VI, Section 7(a)(2) to promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogemaw on behalf of the Little River Band with federal, state and local governments and other Indian tribes or their departments and political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(i)(2) to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Little River Band and to appropriate these funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members, pursuant to appropriations or budgets authorized by resolution or in accordance with ordinances of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(e) to employ legal counsel; and
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WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is authorized under Article V, Section 5(a)(3) to consult, negotiate and execute agreements with private parties subject to Tribal Council approval or ratification; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe authorized an agreement with West Information Services by Resolution #14-0409-102 for ongoing services; and

WHEREAS, the encumbrance pursuant to Resolution #14-0409-102 established a not-to-exceed amount of $20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, invoices through the year 2014 exceed the not-to-exceed amount by a nominal amount of $70.07.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves an additional expenditure from the Legislative Legal Department’s appropriate line item for West Information Invoice #8307792837.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 2 ABSENT, at an Emergency Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council called by the Tribal Ogema and held on December 23, 2014 at the Little River Band Tribal Council Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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