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Approval of a grant application to the U.S. Administration for Community Living under the MIPPA Funding for Beneficiary Outreach and Assistance for Title VI Native American Programs in an amount to be determined by the funding agency (at least $1,000.00) to fund community outreach and assistance efforts related to non-tribal low-income programs

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daawaa Aníshinaabek (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, LRBOI (Tribe) has, in an evidenced-based manner and over an extended period of time, determined that there is a very well-demonstrated and very long-standing need for low-income programs that serve both Native Americans generally and tribal members more particularly; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Administration for Community Living, in accordance with the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA), has provided limited funding assistance in an effort to promote such efforts in Native American communities operating Title VI programs; and
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WHEREAS, as a result of LRBOI’s Title VI programmatic efforts, the Tribe is an eligible applicant; and

WHEREAS, LRBOI has determined that this funding opportunity represents an important opportunity that will contribute to the multidimensional well-being of low-income tribal members/citizens and their families; and

WHEREAS, LRBOI would like to take advantage of this funding opportunity to coordinate at least one community announcement and at least one community outreach event in order to inform and assist eligible Elders about benefits that may be available to them through non-tribal programs; and

WHEREAS, LRBOI also has the capacity and commitment to carry out any and all project related activities in a timely and professional manner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution approves the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Administration for Community Living for Title VI Native American Programs through the 2014 MIPPA Funding for Beneficiary Outreach and Assistance Initiative in an amount to be determined by the funding agency (but which will not be less than $1,000.00).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution authorizes the Ogema to execute any relevant grant application documents necessary to complete the application for submission prior to the July 31, 2014 deadline.


certificate of adoption

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on July 23, 2014 at the Little River Band’s Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

SIGNEE

Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:
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