Resolution # 14-0625-191

Ratifying Employment Contract with Chief Financial Officer, as amended

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaáhek (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 is invested with the legislative power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Little River Band with federal, state and local governments and other Indian tribes or their departments or political subdivisions, or with private persons on all matters within the authority of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Legal Department has reviewed the contract; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies the duly executed employment contract, as amended with Chief Financial Officer for a period of two (2) years beginning July 1, 2014.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT nothing in the contract or in this resolution shall be considered a waiver of the Tribe’s sovereign immunity.
IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the position shall be posted 60 days prior to the date of expiration in order to allow for preference candidates to apply.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 25, 2014, at the Little River Band’s Government Center, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandy Mezeske, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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HR Department