Resolution #14-0514-144

Provides the Ogema with a Not to Exceed Amount Available to Fund Government Expenditures for the Year 2015 in Accordance with Section #5.05 of the Budget & Appropriations Act of 2013

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhíng Ziibí Daawaa Aníšínaábhék (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 authorized under Article IV, Section 7(i)(1) to approve the annual budget presented by the Ogema; and

WHEREAS, the Budget and Appropriations Act of 2013 Section #5.05 requires the Tribal Council to provide the Ogema with a not to exceed amount available to fund government expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the not to exceed number shall be based upon an analysis of the previous three fiscal years’ budgets and the estimates of projected revenues reported under Sections 5.03 and 5.04 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the estimates of projected revenues were not submitted so the not to exceed number was determined by the results/budgets of the previous four years.
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby provides to the Office of the Ogema subject to material changes in the reforecast of Net Gaming Revenue a not to exceed amount of twenty two million seven hundred thousand dollars ($22,700,000) for expenditures to be funded by Net Gaming Revenue;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the not to exceed amount for expenditures funded by grants and other sources of income is twelve million six hundred thousand dollars ($12,700,000) subject to material changes in the estimates of income from grants, rental fees, utility fees, sales or other taxes, and income from other revenue sources.

**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 a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 14, 2014 at the Little River Band’s Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

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