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Adoption of the FY 2015-2018 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP)

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Číing Ziibi Daáwaa Aniišhinaábe (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) and the 1855 Treaty of Detroit (11 Stat. 621) 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 the federally recognized legislative body of the Tribal Citizens of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Ogema is the federally recognized Chief Executive of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council and the Ogema both recognize that transportation plays an integral role in serving local infrastructure and community needs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema have previously entered into a Government to Government Agreement with the Federal Government through its administering agent the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema desire to provide adequate transportation facilities to meet the needs of the citizens of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and
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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has worked to develop the 2014-2017 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan, which is being utilized to request the Bureau of Indian Affairs to incorporate into their Control Schedule Transportation Improvement Plan as a required step to assist receiving “Tribal Shares” funding; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema agree with the needs and priorities presented in the 2015-2018 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby supports and adopts the 2015-2018 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan for the projects listed in the attached CSTIP forms that were developed between the Tribe and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for Tribal Shares funding.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby expressly denies any waiver of Sovereign Immunity; also denies any implied waiver of Sovereign Immunity in connection with authorization and submission of the 2015-2018 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 22, 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

Attest:
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