

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 1762 U.S. 31 South Manistee MI 49660 (231) 723-8288 ORIGINAL

Resolution No. #00-0408-16

Authorizing Submission of a Residential Energy Assistance Challenge Option Program (REACH) Grant for Fiscal Year 2000

WHEREAS, the Tribe's status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, 108 Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C. §1300k et seq.)(hereinafter "Little River Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's inability to access critical programs through the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Indian Health Services and Bureau of Indian Affairs prior to enactment of the Little River Act has left the Tribal community with many unmet needs in the areas of housing, health, social welfare and education; and

WHEREAS, the provision of adequate housing and related services to Tribal member families with the Tribe's historic territory is a critical priority;

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Housing Commission has submitted an Indian Housing Plan which meets the requirements of Section 102 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and 24 CFR Part 1000.220; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Commission presently administers or is developing a number of housing programs designed to improve the housing conditions of Tribal member families, including the BIA Housing Improvement Program and Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Housing Commission has proposed a grant to develop a REACH/LIEAP program to provide comprehensive consumer education services to low-income Tribal member families to assist such families with safety, weatherization, energy efficiency improvements and related services.

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes and supports the submission of a REACH grant application in the amount of \$150,000.00 to the Department of Housing and Urban Development or the Department of Health and Human Services on or before March 30, 2000.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>S</u>FOR, <u>4</u>AGAINST, <u>ABSENT</u>, and <u>ABSTAINING</u>, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on April 8, 2000, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Attest:

Kathy Berentsen, Councilor

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