



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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Resolution No. #00-0610-13

**Approving Budget Modification to the Fiscal Year 2000 Operating Budget  
for the Tribal Government and Appropriating Up to \$100,000.00  
of General Revenue Funds For Earnest Money Deposit on the Purchase of  
the "Pere Marquette River" Property**

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 Tribal Council and Tribal membership have determined that restoration of the Tribe's historic reservation land base and other lands within the Tribe's historic territory is a critical priority;

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Reservation Restoration Plan has identified acquisition of lands within the Mason County Reservation as a priority; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has identified the "Pere Marquette River" property in Custer Township as parcel of land which includes lands that have great historical and cultural significance to the Tribe, and which would be suitable for multiple uses in the development of Tribal programs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that the "Pere Marquette River" property affords the Tribe with a unique opportunity to acquire lands within its historic Reservation that will meet the long term needs of the Tribe and allow the Tribe to reclaim historically significant lands to Tribal ownership; and

WHEREAS, the negotiation and execution of an Agency and Purchase Agreement for the "Pere Marquette River" property will require the Tribe to enter into an Agency Agreement with Wilcox Realty Associates (hereafter "Wilcox") of St. Clair Shores, Michigan, in order to keep the Tribe's interest in this property confidential; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of such Agency Agreement, Wilcox would negotiate and enter into a Purchase Agreement for the "Pere Marquette River"



property and to pay an earnest money deposit of up to \$100,000.00 toward the purchase price; 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 Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution, has the power to provide for the general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, 7(i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, the appropriation of \$100,000.00 from the General Revenue Fund account to cover the earnest money deposit will require a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2000, which was approved on January 24, 2000.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves a modification of the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2000 to include an appropriation of \$100,000.00 from the General Revenue Fund to be used to cover the earnest money deposits to be paid toward the purchase of the "Pere Marquette River" property.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with \_\_\_\_ FOR, \_\_\_\_ AGAINST, \_\_\_\_ ABSENT, and \_\_\_\_ ABSTAINING, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on June 10, 2000, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

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Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Attest:

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Joan Spalding, Council Speaker



Presentation of Resolution Budget Modification and Appropriating Tribal Funds to Tribal Ogema:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution modifying the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2000 and appropriating Tribal funds has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Council Recorder: \_\_\_\_\_

Action by the Tribal Ogema: \_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_ Disapproved (attach comments)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Ogema: \_\_\_\_\_