

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

Resolution No. #00-0724-01

## Approving Program Guidelines for Tribal Bereavement Benefit 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 development and provision of adequate services for Tribal members and their families is a critical priority; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Family Services Department's Fiscal Year 2000 budget included funding for the establishment of burial assistance program for Tribal member families; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has developed guidelines, dated July 24, 2000, for the implementation of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Bereavement Benefit; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to implement the Bereavement Benefit through the Tribal Enrollment Office, with an effective date of January 1, 2000, in accordance with the guidelines dated July 24, 2000, and in accordance with this Resolution.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Bereavement Benefit Guidelines dated July 24, 2000 and declares that the effective date of this program shall be January 1, 2000.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the administration of the Bereavement Benefit Policy with respect to any Tribal member who has passed away on or after January 1, 2000, who did not complete a Beneficiary Form required under the Policy, shall be subject to the additional guidelines set forth in the Interim Policy, (Resolution #00-0724-02). Resolution No. #00-0724-01 Page two

## 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>O</u> AGAINST, <u>I</u> ABSENT, 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 July 24, 2000, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Charles Fisher, Tribal Council Recorder

Joan Spalding, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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