

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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ORIGINAL

RESOLUTION NO. #00-1014-02

ADOPTING RETENTION PLAN/COMMITMENT FOR TRIBAL RESOURCES GRANT PROGRAM 2000 FOR SUBMISSION TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is a federally recognized tribe, as reaffirmed under P.L. 103-324, enacted on September 21, 1994, with property rights secured to it under the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) and the 1855 Treaty of Detroit (11 Stat. 621); and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is descended from, and is the political successor to, Grand River Ottawa Bands which were signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491), as reaffirmed under P.L. 103-324, enacted on September 21, 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has the authority to adopt laws and regulations to protect Tribal members and property pursuant to the powers vested in it by Article IV, Section 7 of the Constitution, approved July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Constitution defines the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Tribe as including the Manistee Reservation and the Mason County Reservation, which areas were reserved for the Tribe in Article Second of the 1836 Treaty of Washington and Article 1, paragraph Sixth of the 1855 Treaty of Detroit, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the regulation, control and prohibition of certain conduct on the Tribe's Reservation is necessary to protect the health, security and general welfare of the Tribe, its members, the general public and property on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has established a Public Safety Department to provide law enforcement services within the Tribe's Reservations, which Reservations include approximately 2,150 acres of Tribally-owned or trust lands within the Manistee Reservation and 612 acres of Tribally-owned lands within the Mason County Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe currently operates a gaming enterprise and is developing a housing subdivision on its Reservation, which activities will place increased burdens on the Tribe's Public Safety Department and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe presently lacks sufficient personnel and resources needed to effectively police the Tribe's Reservation lands and enforce federal and Tribal laws applicable to Tribal lands, properties and persons under the jurisdiction of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Department has requested, and received approval of, a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice COPS Tribal Resources Grant Program 2000 for funding to retain additional officers, training resources and to purchase additional equipment; and

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WHEREAS, completion of the grant award package will require the Tribe to submit a budget proposal, which includes a retention plan/commitment to maintain the level of staffing made possible by the Tribal Resources Grant Program 2000.

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council wishes to affirm its commitment to providing adequate resources to law enforcement, including community policing, on the Tribe's Reservation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby affirms its commitment to retain officers hired under the Tribal Resources Grant Program 2000 for a minimum of one local budget funding cycle following the expiration of Tribal Resources Grant Program 2000 through the allocation of sufficient Self-Determination Act funds and Tribal revenues.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute any grant documents necessary to access the grant funds available to the Tribe and to include a copy of this Resolution with such grant documents.

Certificate of Adoption

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its Regular Session held at the Little River Band Community Center in Manistee, Michigan on October 14, 2000, by a vote of sin favor, opposed, dashent, and absent, and abstentions. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

Date: 10/14/00

Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Attest: