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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution No. #00-1023-06

**Ratification of September 7, 2000, Letter of Authorization
With Cunningham-Limp Company for Design Work Associated with
The Permanent Casino Resort Project and
Authorizing the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the
Tribal Council Speaker to Execute an Addendum
Extending the Term of that Authorization Letter**

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 is entitled to the protections and benefits accorded federally-recognized Indian tribes under federal law, including those under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. §2701 et seq.)(hereinafter "IGRA"), which permits Indian tribes to operate Class II and III gaming activities on lands held in trust for the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has determined that the development of the permanent casino/resort facilities is in the best, long-term interests of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has authorized design work related to the permanent Casino/Resort and authorized entering into an Engagement Letter with Cunningham Limp Company for work associated with such design work; and

WHEREAS, Cunningham Limp Company has agreed to complete the design work associated with permanent casino resort facilities, including mobilization and site work associated with the RV Park, as described in the Proposed Hotel and Casino Project (Scenario 3), dated August 30, 2000, for a total cost not to exceed \$1,600,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has previously executed an Authorization Letter, dated September 7, 2000, which authorizes Cunningham-Limp to proceed with such design work; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe and Cunningham-Limp are currently negotiating the terms of a Design/Build Agreement, which would address both the design and construction phases of the project; and

WHEREAS, pending completion of those negotiations, Cunningham-Limp has proposed extending the term of the Authorization Letter through November 15, 2000, and to include authorization to begin preliminary work on the RV Park; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 (a)(4) and Article V, Section 5(a)(3) and (8) of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Ogema, or in his/her absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations and manage the economic affairs/enterprises of the Tribe, in a manner consistent with the Tribal Constitution and resolutions of the Tribal Council; and

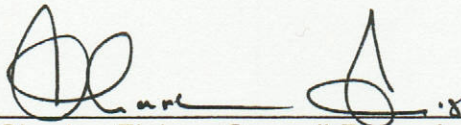
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the chief executive officer of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that ratification and extension of the authorization letter with Cunningham-Limp will advance important Tribal purposes and tribal business enterprises.

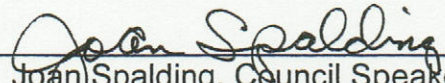
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies and authorizes the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, to execute an authorization letter with Cunningham-Limp Company, to perform design work for the permanent Casino Resort project being considered, pursuant to the terms of the September 7, 2000 authorization letter and an addendum, which would extend the term of that authorization letter through November 15, 2000.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 1 ABSENT, and 0 ABSTAINING, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on October 23, 2000, in Manistee, Michigan. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.


Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Attest:


Joan Spalding, Council Speaker