## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution No. # 00121205

## Expressing a Commitment to Water Treatment and Sewer Treatment Plant Project

- 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 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 Tribe has a responsibility to provide for the health, safety and general welfare of the membership; and
- WHEREAS, as a part of the long term planning regarding land use within the Reservation the Tribe has determined that it is in the best interests to develop and maintain a water treatment and sewage treatment plant in the area identified for development of the housing project as well as the adjoining New Casino project; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has reviewed all options available and identified that development of the water treatment and sewer treatment plants are the most cost efficient method of providing these services to this location; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe had identified that there are grant funds, loan funds, and other methods available to offset or assist with the costs associated with building and maintaining these types of facilities; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has identified that ordinances need to be developed to identify how rates are set, who has the delegated authority to set rates, how billing and collections will be handled, how maintenance of the project will be billed and managed, and the organizational location of these responsibilities within the Tribe;
- NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby adopts this resolution which expresses its commitment to the development and implementation of water treatment and a sewer treatment facilities; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby commits to the development of the necessary legislative documents to implement the availability of water and sewer services to housing and business customers; and

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IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby requests the Tribal Ogema, or his or her designee, to identify an individual who shall be project manager for this activity.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the
Tribal Council with 6 FOR, O AGAINST, 3 ABSENT, and O ABSTAINING, at a Regular
Indai Council Will 6 FOR, 6 AGAINST, 6 ADSTAINING, at a regular
Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band
Community Center on Dec. 12th, 2000, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Attest: Joan Spalding, Council Speake