

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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ORIGINAL

RESOLUTION NO. #01-0214-____

APPROVING SUPPORT FOR THE CHIPPEWA OTTAWA RESOURCE AUTHORITY TO OBTAIN FUNDING FROM THE ADMINISTRATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS FOR ESTABLISHMENT AND CONDUCT OF A STRATEGIC PLAN.

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 certain 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 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians reserved certain rights to hunt, fish, trap, and gather natural resources from the lands and waters in those portions of Michigan, which were ceded under the 1836 Treaty. These treaty based rights were confirmed, in part, by <u>United States V. Michigan</u>, 471 F. Supp 192 (W. D. Mich. 1979); affirmed, 653 F. 2d 277 (6th Cir. 1981); certiorari denied, 454 U.S. 1124, 102 S.Ct. 971 (1981), and reaffirmed by P.L. 103-324 section 5, and are protected by the United States Constitution (art. 1, 8, cl. 3 and Art. 6, cl. 2); and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 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, the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is the governing body of the Tribe, pursuant to the Tribe's Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the maintenance and preservation of the Tribe's treaty rights, including the reserved right to hunt, fish, trap, and gather natural resources are critical priority of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the little River Band of Ottawa Indians has been a participant and active in the negotiations of the United States Vs. Michigan, Consent Decree, dated August 8, 2000, as an Intervening Plaintiff during a period beginning on April 21 & 22, 1999 and ending with the Signing on August 8, 2000: and

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WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is a member Tribe of the court mandated Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians does support the efforts of the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority to obtain funding from the Administration for Native Americans for the establishment and conduct of a Strategic Plan.

THE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS

Joan Spalding, Council Speaker

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians during a regular Session held at the Little River Band Community Center in Manistee, Michigan on the _________, 2001, by a vote of _______ in favor, ________ opposed, ______ absent, and ______ abstentions. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such a vote.

Date: 02/14/2001

Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

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Connie Waitner, Councilor

Attest: