

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## ORIGINAL

Resolution No. #01-0307-05

Approving Tribal Membership in the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA), Appointing Representatives to NIGA, and Approving a Budget Modification in the Amount of \$15,000.00 to Appropriate General Revenue Funds for Membership Dues in the National Indian Gaming Association

- 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 Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution, has the power the provide for the general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, 7(i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema and the Tribal Gaming Commission have recommended that the Tribe become an active member in the National Indian Gaming Association; and
- WHEREAS, the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) is a voluntary association of member Tribes an Associate members representing federally recognized Tribal governments, gaming Tribes, Bands and businesses engaged in gaming enterprises in Indian Country; and

WHEREAS, the primary purposes of NIGA are to promote, protect and preserve the general welfare and interests of gaming Tribes through the development of sound policies and practices with respect to the conduct of gaming in Indian Country, to assist in the dissemination of information to the Indian gaming community, the federal government and the general public on issues related to Indian gaming, to preserve and protect the integrity of gaming in Indian County, and to maintain, protect and advocate Indian Tribal sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, the appropriation of funds from the General Revenue Fund account will require a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2001, which was approved on December 20, 2000; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves a modification of to the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2001 to include an additional appropriation of \$15,000.00 from the General Revenue Fund for payment of dues for NIGA membership.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council authorizes the Tribal Ogema to complete any documents necessary for the Tribe to become a member of NIGA and affirms its commitment to the purposes and policies of NIGA, as set forth in NIGA's Articles and By-Laws.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby appoints the Tribal Ogema, Robert Guenthardt, as the Tribe's representative to NIGA.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council also appoints Council members Joan Spalding and Lisa M. McCatty as the Tribe's alternate representatives to NIGA.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the appointments for the above individuals will remain in effect for balance of calendar year 2001 or until replaced by the Council.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with FOR, AGAINST, ABSENT, and ABSTAINING, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on March 7, 2001, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.	
	Lisa M. McCatty, Council Recorder
Attest:	Joan Spalding, Council Speaker
Presentation of Resolution Approving Budget Modification and Appropriating Tribal Funds to Tribal Ogema:	
Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution approving budget modification and appropriating Tribal funds has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.	
Date delivered to Tribal Ogema:	
Signature of Council Recorder:	
Action by the Tribal Ogema:	X Approved Disapproved (attach comments)
	Date: 3-07-01
	Signature of Ogema: Joan Spalding