

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 1762 U.S. 31 South Manistee MI 49660 (231) 723-8288 ORIGINAL

Resolution No. #01-0307-06

Approving Interim Authority for Appointment of Alternates to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Election Board

- 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 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 IX, Section 4 of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Ogema, subject to the approval of the Tribal Council, is required to appoint an Election Board consisting of five (5) adult members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Constitution mandates that the Tribal Election Board carry out a number of Constitutional duties, including but not limited to, registering voters, holding Tribal Elections, promulgating rules to implement election procedures, and deciding election disputes and election challenges; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the need for the Election Board to have the assistance of additional persons to help the Election Board complete their various Constitutional responsibilities, or to fulfill the legal responsibilities of a member of the Election Board in the event a duly appointed member of the Board is unable to fulfill his/her duties; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that the Constitution does not provide for the appointment of more than five (5) persons to serve as official members of the Election Board; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is considering proposed legislation to either amend the provisions of the First Election Ordinance, Ordinance No. 98-200-02, or to establish a new Election Ordinance, which will provide legislative authority for the appointment of alternates to the Election Board; and

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CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 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. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

Lisa M. McCatty, Council Recorder

Joan Spalding, Council Speaker

Attest:

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