



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
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RESOLUTION NO. #01-0523-02

REQUESTING TRUST ACQUISITION OF CHIPPEWA-OTTAWA TREATY  
 FISHERY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (COTFMA) PROPERTIES ON  
 BEHALF OF THE CHIPPEWA OTTAWA RESOURCE AUTHORITY (CORA)  
 MEMBER TRIBES

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 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, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is descended from, and is the political successor to, 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 United States v. Michigan, 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, are protected by the United States Constitution (Art. 1, §8, cl. 3 and Art. 6, cl. 2), and will be the subject of further proceedings in federal court; and

WHEREAS, the five (5) federally recognized signatory Tribes to the 1836 Treaty, being the Bay Mills Indian Community, Grand Traverse Band, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa have chartered a management entity known as the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA), to protect, preserve and regulate the fish, game, and plant resources subject to the Tribes' usufructuary rights; and

WHEREAS, certain lands have been acquired by the Tribes for the conduct of resource management activities and for access to the Great Lakes fishery resource;

WHEREAS, title to those lands is currently held in trust by the United States for the Bay Mills Indian Community, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians; and

WHEREAS, it is determined to be in the best interests of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians that the United States hold title to these lands in trust for its benefit, and for that of the other federally recognized 1836 Treaty Tribes as such are now or may in the future be determined by the United States.



NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby requests that the United States of America, through the Secretary of the Interior, take the following described property into trust for the benefit of the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, and such other 1836 Treaty Tribes which may in the future be recognized, restored or reaffirmed by the United States:

The East One Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the East One Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northwest One Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Northwest One Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ), Section 19, Township 47 North, Range 1 East, located in Soo Township, Chippewa County, Michigan.

and

Part of Government Lot 6 of Section 34, Township 42 North, Range 1 East, Clark Township, Mackinac County, Michigan, described as commencing at the West  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner of said Section 34; thence North 00 degrees 28'08" East 462.26 feet along the west line of said Section 34; thence South 87 degrees 22'54" East 154.65 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 63 degrees East 55 feet more or less, to the shore of Lake Huron; thence Easterly 220 feet, more or less, along said shore; thence Northerly and Westerly 185 feet, more or less, along said shore; thence North 87 degrees 22'54" West 170 feet, more or less to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

#### Certificate of Adoption

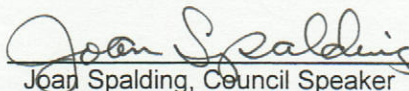
This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its Regular Session held at the Little River Band Community Center in Manistee, Michigan on May 23, 2001, by a vote of 5 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 absent, and 1 abstentions. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_



Lisa M. McCatty, Council Recorder

Attest:



Joan Spalding, Council Speaker

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