

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution No. #01-0926- ( ( )

Approving Budget Modification to the Fiscal Year 2001
Operating Budget for the Tribal Government and
Appropriating \$40,000.00 from the
U.S. v Michigan "Fisheries Trust" Fund to the General Fund
to be Allocated to the Start-Up Costs for the
Commercial Fishing Program in the Conservation Department

- 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, 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 Conservation Department requested an appropriation of \$40,000.00 as part of its Fiscal Year 2001 budget proposal to support the implementation of commercial fishing operations by members of the Tribe during the year 2001; and
- WHEREAS, the amount requested for the Department's Great Lakes Fisheries Assessment program was not included as part of the Fiscal Year 2001 Operating Budget; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has established a Fisheries Trust with funding received from the State of Michigan and United States under the terms of the Consent Decree settling the Great Lakes fisheries portion of the <u>United States</u> v <u>Michigan</u> treaty rights litigation; and

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WHEREAS, the terms of that Consent Decree are intended to facilitate the Tribe's to use settlement funds to assist Tribal members enter the commercial fishery in waters near the Tribe's Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the appropriation of \$40,000.00 from the <u>U.S.</u> v <u>Michigan</u> Fisheries Trust will require a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2001, which was approved on December 20, 2000.

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 appropriation of \$40,000.00 from the U.S. v Michigan Fisheries Trust account, in the Trust and Agency Fund, to be allocated to the General Fund used for equipment, consultants and other expenses associated with assist Tribal members initiate commercial fishing operations.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

the foregoing resolution was duly presented and with FOR, AGAINST, ABSENT, and ar Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa the Little River Band Community Center on stee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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Presentation of Resolution Budget Modification and Appropriating Tribal Funds by Tribal Ogema:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(i)(2) and Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution modifying the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2001 and appropriating Tribal funds has been approved and requested by the Tribal Ogema and is presented to the Tribal Council Recorder for approval by the Tribal Council.

Date delivered by Tribal Ogema: 9 20 01 Signature of Tribal Ogema: Tribal Course, Speaker.