



## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution No. #02-0306-06

**Approving the Commercial Fishing Education, Training and Development  
Program Presented by the Natural Resource Commission  
and Approving a Budget Modification to the Fiscal Year 2002  
Operating Budget to Include a Supplemental Appropriation  
in the Amount of \$249,920.00 from the  
*U.S. v Michigan* "Fisheries Trust" Fund to the General Fund  
to be Allocated to Trainee Salaries and Consultant Fees to  
Implement that Program**

WHEREAS, the Band'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 Band 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 Band and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resource Commission has requested an appropriation of \$249,920.00 to establish an educational, training and development program to support the implementation of commercial fishing operations by members of the Band during the year 2002; and

WHEREAS, Natural Resource Commission has, in consultation with the Band's Natural Resource Department, finalized Program guidelines for a Commercial Fishing Education, Training and Development Program to be implemented within the Natural Resource Department, which program was not included as part of the Fiscal Year 2002 Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Band 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 *United States v Michigan* treaty rights litigation; and

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

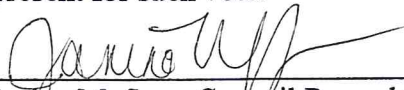
WHEREAS, the appropriation of \$249,920.00 from the *United States v Michigan* Fisheries Trust will require a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2002, which was approved on December 19, 2001.

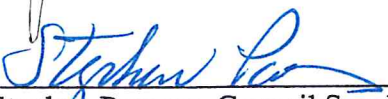
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Commercial Fishing Education, Training and Development Program Guidelines presented for approval by the Natural Resource Commission.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves a modification of to the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2002 to include an appropriation of \$249,920.00 from the U.S. v Michigan Fisheries Trust account, in the Trust and Agency Fund, to be allocated to the General Fund used for training wages, related training expenses and consultant fees associated with establishment of a commercial fishing educational, training and development program to assist Band members initiate commercial fishing operations.

#### 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 0 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 6, 2002, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

  
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker


Attest:

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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: 3/7/02

Signature of Council Recorder: 

Action by the Tribal Ogema: ✓ Approved    Disapproved (attach comments)

Date: 3/14/02

Signature of Ogema: 

Distribution: Council Records  
Tribal Ogema  
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Natural Resource Commission