

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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Resolution No. #02-0327-ole

**Authorizing the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the Tribal Council Speaker to  
Execute a Purchase/Professional Services Agreement with AVVA  
for the Purchase and Installation of Signs for the Casino Pit at Little River Casino  
Resort and Consenting to Have Disputes Resolved in the Tribal Court**

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 IV, Section 5 (a)(4) and Article V, Section 5(a)(3) and (8) of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Ogema, or in his/her absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations and manage the economic affairs/enterprises of the Tribe, in a manner consistent with the Tribal Constitution and resolutions of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Construction Management Team, in consultation with the Gaming Operations staff at Little River Casino Resort, have negotiated a scope of work for design, manufacture and installation of signs for the table games pit at Little River Casino Resort's facilities; and

WHEREAS, the CMT, in consultation with the Legal Department, has presented a proposed Purchase/Professional Services Agreement with AVVA for the purchase and installation of the signs for the pit, which provide that any disputes would be resolved in the Tribal Courts; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution preserves the Tribe's immunity from suit except as authorized by resolution or in furtherance of tribal business enterprises; and


WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that execution of a contract with AVVA will advance important Tribal purposes and tribal business enterprises.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, to execute a Purchase/Professional Services Agreement with AVVA for the purchase and installation of signs for the table games pit as described in AVVA's January 7<sup>th</sup> and January 14<sup>th</sup> proposals.

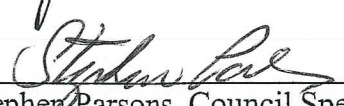
IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council consents to the jurisdiction of the Tribal Courts to resolve disputes with AVVA, arising under the Agreement.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 3 ABSENT, and 0 ABSTAINING, at a Closed Meeting of the Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices on March 27, 2002, in Manistee, Michigan. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

  
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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:

  
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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