

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 375 River Street Manistee, MI 49660

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Resolution No. #02-0515-14

Restrictions on Acceptance of Certain Documents Requiring Approval of the Tribal Ogema to Preclude Use of a Signature Stamp

- 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.); and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council is authorized to ratify contracts and agreements executed by the Tribal Ogema and to receive legally mandated reports from the Office of the Tribal Ogema; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has in the past submitted documents to the Tribal Council which utilize a signature stamp as evidence of the approval of such documents by the Tribal Ogema; and
- WHEREAS, the pending resignation of the Tribal Ogema makes it necessary and prudent to establish a procedure to ensure the validity of any documents represented as having been approved by the Tribal Ogema.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby requires that any documents requiring the approval of the Tribal Ogema, including, but not limited to, checks, contracts, purchase orders and agenda requests, must include an original signature from the Tribal Ogema and any document containing a signature stamp or electronic facsimile shall be of no force and effect.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall take immediate effect on the first business day following approval of this Resolution.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs that a copy of this Resolution be delivered by the Tribal Council Recorder to the Office of the Tribal Ogema, with copies delivered to the Office of the Director of Tribal Operations and the Chief Financial Officer on the first business day after the date of this Resolution.

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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 <u>9</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>0</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 15, 2002, at the Little River Band's Community Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

anine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:

Distribution: Council Records Tribal Ogema Tribal Court Legal Department

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema:

Signature of Council Recorder:

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Date: 6/02 Signature of Ogema:

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