

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## **Resolution # 02-1218-01**

Establishing the Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Tribal Council for Calendar Year 2003

- 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, 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, Section 6(a) of the Constitution is required to meet in regular session at least once every month at a time and place to be set by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution provides that the "schedule of meetings for regular sessions of the Tribal Council for [each succeeding] calendar year shall be set by resolution of the Tribal Council at the last regular session of each calendar year" and that such schedule "shall be published and made available to the General Membership;" and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council met to discuss and agreed upon a schedule for regular sessions of the Tribal Council for calendar year 2003; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to have the greatest input from the General Membership in all considerations of government action such that meetings should be regularly scheduled that allow for comment and discussion with the General Membership; and
- WHEREAS, in accordance with Article IV, section 6(e) of the Constitution, the Tribal Council desires to set the third Saturday of every month, beginning at 10:00 a.m. as a regular meeting of the Tribal Council to conduct general business of the Tribe, to present information from the Tribal Council to the membership, to receive comments, and to hold discussions with the General Membership on legislation and other activities of the Tribal Council during the previous month or as part of the upcoming month, including receiving departmental reports and minutes of entities of the Tribe; and

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WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Tribal Council that the General Membership benefits from a Tribal Council which meets on a regular weekly basis and that regular meeting being on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. until concluded shall be the regular weekly agenda;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby set the schedule of regular meetings of the Tribal Council for the Calendar Year 2003 to be every Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m., and the third Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m.; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby sets the location of those regular meetings as the Little River Band Community Center until such time as another permanent meeting location can be established, with Closed Session of any Wednesday meeting being reconvened and conducted at the Little River Band Downtown Office Building in the Tribal Council Conference Room; and

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs that no meetings shall be scheduled on the following days – January 1; July 2; September 3; November 26; December 24 and December 31, 2003 – and that the Saturday, September 20th meeting shall be scheduled as the Tribal Council Re-Affirmation Day Recognition Feast provided for the membership.

## **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 December 18, 2002, at the Little River Band's Community Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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