



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 03-0319-77

Authorization to Extend Employment Contract of Attorney William Brooks

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; 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 is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(e) to ratify all contracts for legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved the employment contract for Attorney William Brooks by resolution # 00-0408-05; and

WHEREAS, the employment contract expired on January 1, 2003 and Attorney Brooks has continued his employment responsibilities during the interim period of receipt of ratification of a new employment contract; and

WHEREAS, the Ogema has requested approval by the Tribal Council of an extension of the employment contract of Attorney Brooks until such time as the final contract document can be completed and presented to the Tribal Council for ratification; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the extension of the employment contract with Attorney William Brooks until June 1, 2003, at which time the Ogema shall have presented a final draft employment contract for ratification by the Tribal Council.

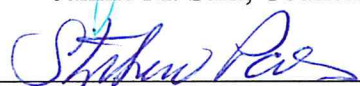
CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 4 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 19, 2003, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Attest:



Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder



Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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