

Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS 375 River Street Manistee, MI 49660 (231) 723-8288

Resolution 03-0326-84

Temporary Closing the Land Known as the Custer Property for Certain Uses Because of Cultural Signifigance

- **Reaffirming** that the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as an international self-governing Nation 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
- Acknowledging that we are descendants of Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1795 Treaty of Greenville (7 Stat. 49), the 1821 Treaty of Chicago (7 Stat. 218), 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491), and the 1855 Treaty of Detroit (11 Stat. 621) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and
- *Recognizing that our ancestors* lived, worked, played, prayed, and raised their young throughout the territory of the Great Lakes;
- Mindful of our duties to preserve and protect our ancestral lands and the sacred places of our ancestors; and
- Considering that, the Tribal Council, pursuant to the tribal Constitution, Art. IV, sec. 7(d), is invested with the inherent power to approve any encumbrance to Little River Land or interests in such lands; and
- **Noting with approval** the March 12, 2003, recommendation of the Natural Resource Commission that the Custer property, including the existing campgrounds be closed to motorized traffic until further notice, and that the existing traffic corridors to the property be cabled to prevent all motorized access;
- The Tribal Council accordingly declares the property known as the Custer Property, including the existing campgrounds be closed to motorized and foot traffic until further notice, and that the existing traffic corridors to the property be cabled to prevent all access.

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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>8</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>1</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 26, 2003, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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