

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 03-0423-104

Support for Westshore Community College Grant - "Leading Lights"

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (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 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is an historical and current member of the community in western Michigan and the lakeshore; and
- WHEREAS, the proud and continuous history of the Tribe and its members is an important aspect of the growth and composition of the community; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has identified that Westshore Community College will be submitting a grant application to develop a drama portraying the culture and history of western Michigan and the lakeshore; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports this grant application because of the important historical role and the current active role of the Tribe and its members in the shaping of the community in western Michigan and the lakeshore;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby sets forth its support of the Westshore Community College grant proposal for development of an historical drama ("Leading Lights").

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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 April 23, 2003, at the Little River Band's Community Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janne M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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