

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 03-0604-147**

*Withdrawal of Association with the Michigan Intertribal Council*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng 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 has maintained a cooperative relationship with the Michigan Intertribal Council as a long term provider of benefits and services through grants to members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians during a period of time the Tribe was unable to provide these services or apply for grants; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the relationship with the Michigan Intertribal Council in regards to correspondence, timely request for grant support resolutions, notification of grant awards, and application of grants to the Tribe's population; and

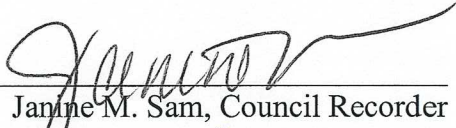
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that provision of services to Tribal members is a responsibility of the Tribe and that individual application for these grants by the Tribe will be more responsive and responsible action on the part of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that in order to competitively seek available grant resources it must sever the relationship with the Michigan Intertribal Council;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby submits this resolution to the Michigan Intertribal Council as notice that it will no longer participate in grant applications of MITC and members of the Tribe should no longer be considered as part of the service clients in grant applications of MITC.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 4, 2003, at the Little River Band's Community Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

  
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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