



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 03-0604-154**

*Approval of Additional Stipends for the Cultural Preservation Committee for a Limited Time*

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(g) to create committees and delegate responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the *Committee Procedures Policy* on April 13, 1997 which identified the structure and responsibilities of committees created by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Preservation Committee was created by the Tribal Council to be responsible for culturally related activities of the Tribe, specifically the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Annual July 4<sup>th</sup> traditional pow wow; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted resolution # 02-0807-05 which clarified and set the stipend amount for committee members at \$50 per meeting and restricted the number of compensated meetings to two meetings per month; and

WHEREAS, that resolution directs that committees may request, by resolution, the Tribal Council to approve additional meetings per month, Resolve #4, by setting forth the number of extra meetings and the reasons for those extra meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Preservation Committee is in the process of organizing the Annual July 4<sup>th</sup> traditional pow wow which requires significant time commitments to be made by the committee members in order to provide for proper invitations, contracts and organization of volunteers;

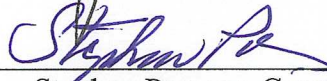
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the members of the Cultural Preservation Committee to be paid an additional 2 stipends per month during the months of May, June and July in order to properly organize and conclude the Tribe's July 4<sup>th</sup> traditional pow wow. Such authorization shall be retroactive to extra meetings that may have been held in the month of May.

**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.



Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder



Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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