



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 03-0625-188**

*Approval of Commitment to be Financially Responsible in Regards to CMS Activities*

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 agreed that authorization of Medicare credentialing for the Little River Band Health Clinic, and Dr. Dixon is a necessary action; and

WHEREAS, there are certifications and agreements that should be made by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in regards to the Tribe's application; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal government consists of a Tribal Council with delegated authority to ratify contracts and obligate funds and an Ogema which has delegated authority to execute contracts; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Ogema to execute the following statement to be placed on Tribal letterhead.

As the Ogema of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians I have been authorized by Tribal Council resolution # 03-0625-188 to attest that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians will be legally and financially responsible in the event that there is any outstanding debt owed to CMS for Medicare payments received.

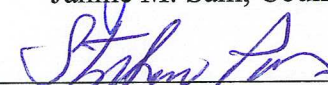
I further attest that I am authorized by Tribal Council resolution # 03-0625-188 to financially bind the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians to this agreement and the certifications provided in CMS Form 855B.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby authorizes a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the purposes of the above commitments in accordance with Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 25, 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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