

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 375 River Street Manistee MI 49660

Resolution # 03-0730-223

EPA State and Tribal Response Program

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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 has a responsibility to protect the land and water within our reservation, and
- WHEREAS, The Environmental Protection Agency has funding available for grants to establish and enhance a Tribal Response Program under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under Section 128(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), and
- WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians wishes to submit an application in order to be selected for a grant to implement a Tribal Response Program.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution wishes to submit an application to the Environmental Protection Agency for a Tribal Response Program Grant in the amount of \$126,537 for federal fiscal year 2004.

CERTIFICATION 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 Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on July 30, 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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