

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 03-0730-225

Authorizing the Conservation Department to Hire an Air Quality Specialist Pursuant to Resolution #03-0423-105

- 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 Tribal Council is authorized to under Article IV, Section 7(i) to "take action, not inconsistent with this Constitution or Federal law, which shall be necessary and proper to carry out the sovereign powers of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council did, pursuant to Resolution #03-0423-105, direct that the Tribal Ogema freeze all new hiring until such time as a human resource process review by the Tribal Council is completed; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution #03-0423-105 does authorize the Tribal Ogema to request Tribal Council authorization to hire new employment positions; and
- WHEREAS, the Conservation Department has requested authorization to hire an Air Quality Specialist. It is necessary to hire this position to carry out the work plan of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's U.S. Environmental Protection Agency General Assistance Program grant;

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has determined that the hiring of the Air Quality Specialist Position is in the best interests of the Tribe;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that the request of the Conservation Department and the Tribal Ogema for authorization to post the position and hire an Air Quality Specialist is reasonable and in the best interests of the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Conservation Department to proceed with posting and hiring of a qualified applicant for Air Quality Specialist.

CERTIFICATE 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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