## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## **Resolution # 03-0813-248**

Approving Publication of Commission, Committee and Board Stipend Payments Collected for Fiscal Year 2003 and Continuing Authorization

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 created commissions, committees and boards to carry out essential governmental functions under authority of Article IV, Section 7(f and g); and
- WHEREAS, commissions are governed by the creating ordinance and the <u>Commissions</u>

  <u>Ordinance</u>, # 01-100-06, and commissions are also governed by their by-laws adopted in accordance with the creating ordinance and the <u>Commissions</u>

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- WHEREAS, committees are governed by the *Committee Procedures Policy* adopted April 13, 1997 by the Tribal Council, and committees are also governed by their Work Plans approved by Tribal Council in accordance with the *Committee Procedures Policy*; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has created a Health Board which is governed by its bylaws which are to be presented to the Tribal Council for approval; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has identified, in concurrence with prior Ogema's, that it is difficult to locate interested Tribal members as a result of the unknown quantity of work related to participating in commissions, committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that publishing the responsibilities of the commissions, committees and boards, the schedule of meetings, as well as publishing the stipend payments received during the Fiscal Year 2003, and continuing that publication on a regular basis, will assist Tribal members in understanding these entities and allow them to make informed decisions regarding participation in their Tribal government activities through these entities;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby directs the Recorder to create the following publication:

- 1. Summary of responsibilities of each commission, committee and board;
- 2. A schedule of meetings for each commission, committee and board as approved by that entity and forwarded to the Tribal Council; and
- 3. List of stipend levels authorized for commissions, committees and boards, and the payments that have been made for the current fiscal year.
- 4. List of the Tribal Council liaisons and their attendance at said meetings.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs the Recorder to place such publication in the Tribal newsletter and to have the publication updated each year on or around November 1 and April 1.

## **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 August 13, 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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