## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

375 River Street Manistee MI 49660

## **Resolution # 03-0910-281**

Resolution of support for submission of a grant application to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service under the Tribal Wildlife Grant Program in the amount of \$249,736.62

- 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 Tribal Council is authorized under the Tribal Constitution, Article IV, Section 7(a) to promote, protect and 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 has committed, through prior Tribal Council action, to the goal of "protecting species of cultural importance;" and to "providing for the rehabilitation of Native aquatic species" found within the 1836/1855 Reservation boundaries and the 1836 Ceded Territories;
- WHEREAS, our ancestors reserved the right to hunt, fish and gather within the territories ceded under the 1836 Treaty of Washington ('1836 Ceded Territory'), and is a right which we as Aníšhinaábek continue to exercise; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports the value and purpose in conducting the project hereby known as an "Assessment of riparian habitat restoration in the Manistee River Corridor;" and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports the value and purpose in conducting the project hereby titled "To research the status and habitat use of bobcat, *Lynx rufus*, in the northern counties of Michigan's Lower Peninsula;" and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution supports the submission of a grant application for the above cited projects to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service under the Tribal Wildlife Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2003 in the amount of \$249,736.62.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians by this resolution agrees to and commits to an In-Kind Tribal Match of \$147,381.18, which represents 59% of the federal share, to support the operation and administration of the above cited projects.

## **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 September 10, 2003, at the Little River Band's Community Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

anine M. Sam Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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