



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 03-1001-313**

*Adoption of Natural Resource Commission Ordinance, # 03-500-01, and Superseding Ordinance # 96-500-01*

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 adopted the Commissions Ordinance, # 01-100-06, which set forth standards for the activities of commissions of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, as part of the implementation of the Commissions Ordinance, the Tribal Council made amendments to all ordinances creating commissions of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resource Commission was requested to review proposed compliance amendments to the Natural Resource Commission Ordinance, # 96-500-01, and make final recommendations to the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resource Commission forwarded proposed amendments on June 26, 2003 which have been reviewed by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has taken into consideration the recommendations of the Natural Resource Commission and completed finalization of amendments to the

Ordinance which were given a final review on September 25, 2003 in a work session;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby adopts the Natural Resource Commission Ordinance, # 03-500-01, effective immediately and supersedes the prior ordinance # 96-500-01.

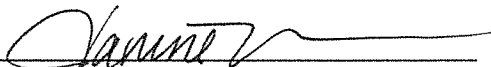
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs the Natural Resource Commission to make appropriate changes in regulations and forward such regulations for Tribal Council approval within 90 days after adoption of this resolution.


IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby notifies the Ogema that there are two vacancies on the Natural Resource Commission for position [#4] and [#5] occupied by members of the Commission who have a conflict under the new ordinance as a result of being employed in the Conservation Department. Such members shall continue to serve as Commissioners until new appointments have been made or for 90 days, whichever is shorter.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs the Commission to forward by-laws for approval by the Tribal Council within 30 days of adoption of this resolution.

### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 1, 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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