



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 03-1112-383

*Amendments to the Audit Ordinance Regarding Limitation on Length of Service of
External Auditors*

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 has determined that contracts with firms to provide external audits should not be longer than three years in length; and

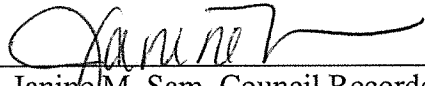
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has further determined that no firm should conduct external audits for longer than three years without having a three year non-auditing period between contracts; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby amends the Audit Ordinance, # 03-100-08, by adding the following section to be effective upon adoption of this resolution.

4.03. *Auditor Restrictions.* No external audit firm shall audit activities of the Tribe for a period longer than three years. All external audit firms shall have a three year period between auditing contracts. Provided that, exceptions to these restrictions may be forwarded with a recommendation of the Comptroller General to be approved by resolution of the Tribal Council.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 3 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 12, 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



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Attest:

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