



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
**375 River Street**  
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**Resolution # 03-1220-437**

*Approval of Insurance Policies through Hartford Life Insurance for Long Term Disability, Accidental Death and Disability, and Life Insurance*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaa Ching Ziibi Daawaa Anishinaabek* (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 the 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 under Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify contracts and agreements entered into by the Tribe; *and*

WHEREAS, the Ogema has presented an insurance policy through Hartford Life Company for Short and Long Term Disability, Accidental Death and Disability, and Life Insurance for governmental employees; *and*

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been made aware of the need to obtain this insurance as a result of the notice of Boston Mutual Insurance Company's determination not to continue coverage as a result of the past use of the existing policies; *and*

WHEREAS, the Ogema has identified that eight companies were contacted and one company responded to the Tribe's request for quotes; *and*

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the proposal from Hartford Life Company and has determined that it is an important benefit to maintain for the governmental employees;

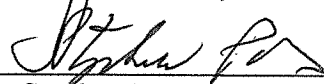
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratify the agreement with Hartford Life Company to provide Long Term Disability, Accidental Death and Disability, and Life Insurance for governmental employees.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 2 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 20, 2003, at the Little River Band's Dome Room 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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