



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0204-50

Ratifying and Authorizing Execution of Consulting Contract with Valerie Chandler to Provide Services for Cultural Preservation Program - Dance and Regalia

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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 created the Cultural Preservation Committee for the purposes of identifying and developing cultural activities and learning activities for the members; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Preservation Committee has determined that the presentation of classes for teaching and learning about regalia and dancing is an important aspect of learning about the culture of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been presented with a contract to engage a consultant to assist members and their families in identifying regalia form, the technical aspects of creating that regalia, and the dance forms related to that regalia;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies the contract and authorizes the Ogema to execute the contract with Valerie Chandler, Consultant.

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 Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 4, 2004, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices 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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