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**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 04-0211-58**

*Ratification of Trap Net Vessel Lease Agreement with Levi Stone, Captain and  
Authorizing the Ogema to Enter Into the Agreement*

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 Ogema has identified that commercial fishing by Tribal members is an important activity of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Ogema has identified Tribal resources, trap net vessel, Cierra, that can be leased to a commercial fisherman in order to further commercial fishing and has drafted a lease agreement for that purpose; and

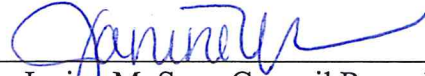
WHEREAS, the Legal Department has reviewed the lease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received the lease agreement, has discussed this proposal with the Ogema, and has determined that this is an appropriate action;


NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies the Trap Net Vessel Lease Agreement between Levi Stone and the Tribe and authorizes the Ogema to execute that agreement.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 11, 2004, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder



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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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Tribal Ogema  
Tribal Court