

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0225-75

Approval of Expenditure for the Accounting Department for the 2003 State of Michigan Unemployment Compensation benefit charges of \$93,580.52.

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 is authorized, subject to the veto of the Tribal Ogema, under Article IV, Section 7(i)(1) of the Constitution to approve expenditures of Tribal funds; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance, #02-100-04, which identifies and authorizes expenditures of funds within an approved budget through regulations created by the Tribal Ogema and adopted by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Purchasing and Procurement Regulations, #R100-01:AC-01 (as amended per Resolution #03-0625-189), have been approved by the Tribal Council which directs that authorization of expenditures in excess of \$5,000 must be made by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has received an invoice for the State of Michigan for 2003 Unemployment Compensation benefit charges related to our reimbursable status with the state; and

- WHEREAS, the Tribe has received the invoice from F.A.R. Management, Inc., who provide unemployment administrative services to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the total amount of the invoice is \$93,580.52, The breakdown provided to us by F.A.R. Management, Inc. is \$32,397.98 for the Tribal Government, and \$61,182.54 for the Little River Casino Resort; and
- WHEREAS, the Controller has forwarded copies of the invoice and breakdown to the Director of Finance at the Little River Casino Resort for reimbursement of the \$61,182.54 to the Tribal Government; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Government has accrued expenditures for State Unemployment Compensation benefits during 2003 in all programs with salaries and wages and corresponding budgeted payroll tax funds, in the amount of \$46,908.86; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a request for approval of the above expenditure; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the expenditure of FY 2003 budgeted funds in the amount of \$93,580.52, with a recapture of \$61,182.54 from the Resort, for a net expenditure of \$32,397.98 for State of Michigan Unemployment Compensation benefit charges relating to our reimbursable status with the state.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>7</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>2</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 25, 2004, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Lisa M. McCatty, Acting Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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