

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0303-101

Authorizing Execution of a Production Agreement with JS Interactive for Production of an Interactive Language WEBSITE

- 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has presented a contract proposal to have JS Interactive to complete the programming and development of a WEBSITE entitled "Anishinaabemdaa.com" to further the objectives in the Band's language programs and to promote the survival and continuing vitality of Anishinaabemowin; and
- WHEREAS, the purposes associated with the proposed Production Contract are work product requirements under the second year of the Band's grant with the Administration on Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, based upon the Band's Language Program Director Instructor familiarity with the work of JS Interactive, JS Interactive's experience in the development of culturally appropriate programs for other Indian Nations and the unique nature of the services being contracted for, the Program Director and Tribal Ogema are requesting approval of "sole source" contracting with JS Interactive; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports the Program Director's recommendation to utilize JS Interactive as a sole source vendor to complete the necessary programming and production work in accordance with the terms and conditions prescribed in the attached Contract and Addendum.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema, or in the absence of, the Tribal Council Speaker, to execute contract with JS Interactive to provide programming and production services related to development and completion of an interactive WEBSITE entitled "Anishinaabemdaa.com" for the Anishininaabemowin Language Program.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>8</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>1</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 3, 2004, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices 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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