

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

375 River Street Manistee, MI 49660 (231) 723-8288

## **Resolution # 04-0407-149**

Authorization to Enter into Contract with Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey, P.L.C. for the Purposes of Completing a Legal Review of the 401(k) Plan

- 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 Tribe has previously engaged the services of Attorney Mary Bauman through the engagement contract with the firm of Calcutt, Miller & Boynton for the purposes of providing legal review of the Tribe's 401(k) plan; and
- WHEREAS, the engagement letter with the prior firm has concluded and there continues to be a pending legal issues with the Tribe's 401(k) plan for which Attorney Bauman is providing legal assistance; and
- WHEREAS, Attorney Bauman's firm, Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummisky has submitted an engagement letter for the purposes of concluding the corrective action in regards to the Tribe's 401(k) plan;

Resolution # 04-0407-149 Page 2 of 2

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the contract with Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummisky, P.L.C. to be entered into for the purposes of concluding the Tribe's 401(k) corrective action plan.

## **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 April 7, 2004, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Tammy Kleeman, Acting Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

Distribution: Council Records Tribal Ogema Tribal Court