

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 04-0421-173**

*Adoption of Temporary Amendments to the Enrollment Ordinance, # 01-100-06, for the Purposes of Maintaining a Quorum*

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 Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(f) of the Constitution to create commissions whose membership is selected by the Ogema and ratified by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council created the Enrollment Commission through adoption of the Enrollment Commission Ordinance, #02-200-01, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has adopted the Commissions Ordinance, #01-100-06 and approved the by-laws of the Enrollment Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has taken action which temporarily removed four Enrollment Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that maintaining a quorum for the Enrollment Commission to take action on applications is necessary in order to timely address these questions and concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has requested draft temporary amendments for review and action which has been presented and reviewed; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians does hereby approve the following temporary amendments to the Enrollment Ordinance which shall be effective until repealed by Tribal Council resolution.

**Section 6. Enrollment Commission**

6.01. *Creation.* An Enrollment Commission consisting of ~~seven~~ *three* enrolled Tribal members shall be appointed by the Tribal Council in accordance with applicable Tribal laws and policies governing the appointment of members of Tribal commissions. The term of office for a member of the Enrollment Commission shall be for four years. *The quorum for a meeting of the Enrollment Commission shall be temporarily set at requiring two Commissioners, one of which must be an officer.*

6.02. *Officers; Meetings.* The members of the Enrollment Commission shall select one member to serve as Chairperson, one member to serve as Vice Chairperson and one member to serve as Secretary of the Commission. *The existing members of the Enrollment Commission as of the date of approval of these resolution shall determine among themselves a temporary Chairperson and temporary Vice-Chairperson/Secretary.* The Enrollment Commission shall meet at least once a month or as often as necessary. The Enrollment Officer or Commission Chairperson shall call all meetings when it is determined that there is a need for a meeting. All other rules of procedure for the conduct of meetings shall be determined in accordance with any applicable Tribal Ordinances or policies governing the conduct of meetings.

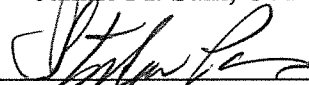
6.03. *Additional Responsibilities.* In addition to the responsibilities described in Section 5 of this Ordinance, the Enrollment Commission shall advise the Enrollment Officer, other pertinent staff and the Tribal Council as to how the enrollment process may be made as fair and equitable as possible. The Enrollment Commission shall also assist in the preparation of any special rolls, including rolls of Tribal members eligible for monetary payments or other benefits that may accrue to Tribal members.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 2 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 21, 2004, at the Little River Band's Dome Room 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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