## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## Resolution # 04-0623-264

Adoption of Amendment to Enrollment Ordinance Regarding Interpretation of Blood
Quantum from the Durant Roll of 1908

- WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek (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 has been authorized under Article III, Section 4 to develop ordinances and processes regarding the enrollment process; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has adopted the <u>Enrollment Ordinance</u> which created the Enrollment Commission to review and make determinations on requests for enrollment in the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Commission has reviewed many applications for admissions and has determined that placement of an interpretation into the Enrollment Ordinance will result in consistent use of the information in the Durant Roll of 1908;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves and adopts the following amendment to the <a href="Enrollment Ordinance">Enrollment Ordinance</a> for immediate implementation.

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4.04. Durant Roll of 1908 - Presumption of 4/4/ Blood Quantum. Where there is no other information within the Durant Roll of 1908, and its included supplementary information, indicating blood quantum other than of the Tribe or band identified, the persons is presumed to be 4/4 blood quantum of that Tribe or band identified.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>6</u> FOR, <u>1</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 June 23, 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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