Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution # 04-0630-284

Authorizing Execution of Engagement Letters with the Titus Group To Perform Internal Audits of the Management Information Systems Department

- 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's Comptroller has solicited proposals from qualified firms to complete an audit of the operations of the Management Information Systems (MIS) Department; and
- WHEREAS, the Comptroller is recommending engaging The Titus Group to complete the requested internal audit; and
- WHEREAS, the Comptroller has, in consultation with the Tribe's Legal Department, negotiated an engagement letter with The Titus Group to perform the internal audit requested for an estimated fee not to exceed \$23,000.00;
- NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes execution of an engagement letter retaining The Titus Group to complete an internal audit of the MIS Department.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council agrees to limited waiver of immunity and consents to have any disputes with The Titus Group, which may arise under the engagement letter resolved through binding arbitration and consents to the jurisdiction of the Commercial Division of the Tribal Court and the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan for purposes of enforcing the arbitration provisions.

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 Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 30, 2004, at the Little River Band's Conference 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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