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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0811-334

Approval of Conceptual Master Site Plan for Little River Casino Resort

- 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 Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; 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(c and d) to approve the acquisition and management of land; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has approved the Little River Casino Resort *Expansion Project*; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that expansion of the Little River Casino Resort is in the best interests of the Tribe and that long term planning of the resort is necessary to better provide for growth; and

WHEREAS, the Transition Oversight Committee has met with Hnedak Bobo, Group, Inc., Tribal Councilors, and the Ogema to develop a Master Site Plan which identifies current and projected growth of the Little River Casino Resort and the Transition Oversight Committee has given it approval for presentation and approval by the Tribal Council;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the *Conceptual Little River Casino Resort Master Site Plan* as represented by Master Plan Board 1A.2 alt, striking the sports bar, as submitted by Hnedak Bobo Group.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT any amendments to this Conceptual Master Site Plan shall be made by resolution of the Tribal Council.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>7</u> FOR, <u>2</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>0</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on August 11, 2004, at the Little River Band's Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Jarline M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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