

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0908-369

Ratification of Contract with Betty Bell and Delores Karty to Review Enrollment Audit Procedures for Recommendation and Proposal

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 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 as adopted amendments to the Enrollment Ordinance which require all membership files to be reviewed for accuracy and completeness, and has subsequently amended the ordinance to temporarily halt this process until final procedures can be put into place to standardize the processes; and

WHEREAS, the Enrollment Commission has identified individuals with an expertise in membership file review and recommendations who have submitted a proposal for a preliminary technical review in order to making an informed proposal for the membership file review processes by an objective, professional, third party; and


WHEREAS, the Enrollment Commission has forwarded this proposal for consideration, as well as an explanation of their next steps to finalize proposed review processes;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies the Proposal for Preliminary Technical Assistance to Little River Band of Ottawa Indians as submitted by Betty Bell and Delores Karty; authorizes the Speaker to endorse such engagement, and directs the Recorder to make the appropriate arrangements as set forth in the engagement contract.

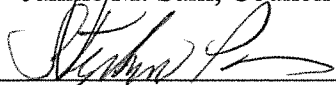
NOW THEREFORE IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the expenditure of budgeted funds in the amount of \$3,980.00 to be taken from Program # 1000-100, Account # 5204.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 8, 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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