

## **Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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## Resolution # 04-0908-370

Approval of Amendments to Enrollment Ordinance Regarding Deadlines and Application of Provisional Decisions and Re-setting the Ordinance # as 04-200-01

- 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 II, Section 4, to establish procedure for enrollment processes; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has created the <u>Enrollment Ordinance</u> which created an Enrollment Commission to make these decisions and implement enrollment processes; and
- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Commission has recommended clarification of the Enrollment Ordinance to clarify the application of provisional enrollment decisions and to clarify the deadlines that were amended previously; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the recommendations of the Enrollment Commission and finds that they are clear and consistent with the Constitution;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the amendments to the <u>Enrollment Ordinance</u> and re-authorizing the ordinance as number #04-200-01.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 1 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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