## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## Resolution # 04-0908-371

Approval of Supplemental Appropriation to Complete Community Wellbeing and Support Program Payments

- 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 has approved the Community Wellbeing and Support Program by adoption of the Membership Assistance Department Ordinance; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has identified the Community Wellbeing and Support payments for Fiscal Year 2004 at \$1500 for members age 18 and over on September 1, 2004, and \$500 for members under the age of 18 on September 1, 2004; and
- WHEREAS, the Membership Assistance Department requested, and the Ogema and Tribal Council approved, a budget for the payments based on the prior year's payment levels as the estimated amount of funding needed; and

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that many external economic influences have negatively impacted members such that the Tribal Council has determined that the Community Wellbeing and Support Program is of even greater importance in determining the wellbeing of the members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and in developing new programs and revising existing programs; and
- WHEREAS, as a result of the amended program amounts authorized, a supplemental appropriation will be needed over the \$1.6 million currently allocated for this program; and
- WHEREAS, the Membership Assistance Program Director, with assistance from the Enrollment Department and the Accounting Department has identified the necessary supplemental funding and obtained the necessary Certification of Availability of funds for a supplemental appropriation;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$2,476,500 to be appropriated from the *Future Appropriations Reserve Fund* and placed in the Membership Assistance Program budget line #1000-137-5208 for the specific purpose of additional funding for the Fiscal Year 2004 Community Wellbeing and Support payments and for no other purpose.

## **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

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Attest:

Presentation of Resolution Budget Modification to Tribal Ogema:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution modifying the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2004 as set forth in Resolution #03-1217-424, has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema:	919101
Signature of Council Recorder:	Annin
Action by the Tribal Ogema: Y Approved Disapproved (attach comments)	
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Signature of Ogema:

Distribution: Council Records Tribal Ogema

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