

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

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## Resolution # 04- 1201-488

Approving Renewal of Contract with Legal Assistance Program Attorney

- WHEREAS, the Tribe's status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C., 1300k et seq.); 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 for 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution, has the power to provide for the general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has authorized the engagement of Nancy A. Kida, P.C., to provide limited legal services to Tribal members through the Little River Band Legal Assistance Program; and
- WHEREAS, the agreement between the Tribe and Nancy A. Kida P.C. in April 2003 allocated funds for legal services through December 2004; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe desires to support the Legal Assistance Program at a level that will provide necessary legal services to Tribal members and expenses for the program for the years 2005 and 2006;
- WHEREAS, Nancy A. Kida, P.C. is willing to renew her contract at the same hourly rate and add one additional day per month if she is able to obtain a two year contract for the years 2005 and 2006;

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is requesting a renewal of the contract for services with Nancy A. Kida, P.C. at the level of \$97,614.00 for legal fees for each of the calendar years 2005 and 2006, with a additional maximum of \$6,000 per year approved for mileage, lodging, professional liability insurance premiums, filing fees, long-distance telephone, postage and computerized legal research;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves renewal of the contract for legal services and expenses with Nancy A. Kida, P.C., as outlined above.

## **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>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>2</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 1, 2004, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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Tribal Ogema
Nancy A. Kida, P.C.
Accounting Department