

Little River Band Of Ottawa Indians 375 Rover Street Manistee, MI 49660 (231) 723-8288

Resolution # 05-0202-38

Approval of Expenditure by Legislative Legal Department Regarding WestGroup Charges

- WHEREAS, the status of the Gáá Čhing 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, exacted 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, subject to the veto of the Tribal Ogema, under the Article IV, section 7(i)(1) of the Constitution to approve expenditures of Tribal funds; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the <u>Budget and Appropriations Ordinance</u>, #01-100-04, which identifies and authorizes expenditures of funds within an approved budget through regulations created by the Tribal Ogema and adopted by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the *Purchasing and Procurement Regulations*, #R100-01:AC-01, have been approved by the Tribal Ogema and Tribal Council which directs that authorization of expenditures in excess of \$5000.00 must be made by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Legal Department has budgeted \$25,000 for the purpose of maintaining a library regarding program related activities of which the majority of expenditures are through WestGroup either in the form of new books, subscriptions or on-line research charges; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a request for approval of the above expenditure;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the obligation of budgeted funds in the amount of \$25,000 for the purposes of expenditures throughout Fiscal Year 2005.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do herby 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 Council held on February 2, 2005, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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Tribal Court