



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-0420-155

Manistee Lake Environmental Education Contract Approval

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 is desirous to complete the obligations of the USEPA General Assistance Program (GAP) grant agreement, being grant #GA97546202-0; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the need to create and environmental education materials on the status of Manistee Lake, and to disseminate these materials to the local decision makers of Manistee County.

IT IS NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians approves the contract with Robert M. Powell and Associates to create and disseminate various environmental education items as stated in the contract.

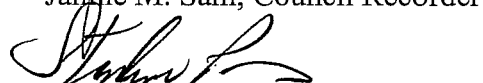
IT IS NOW FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes a waiver of the Tribe's sovereign immunity under Article X of the Constitution to the extent identified in Paragraph 10 of the Contract to authorize mediation and resolution in the Commercial Division of the Tribal Court.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 20, 2005, 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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