

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-0511-190

Approval of Expenditure for 2003 Audit Work

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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 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 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance, # 04-100-04, 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 which directs that authorization of expenditures in excess of \$8,000.00 must be made by the Tribal Council; and

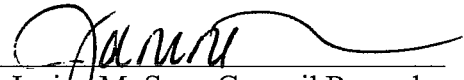
WHEREAS, Tribal Council has budgeted \$ 87,750.00 for the purpose of entering into contract with Ribail, Stauffer & Associates PLLC to conduct the 2003 financial statement audit of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a request for approval of expenditure within the budget for work conducted on the 2003 audit;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the expenditure of budgeted funds in the amount of \$ 72,002.96 as identified by Purchase Requisition # 15928.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby 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 Tribal Council held on May 11, 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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