



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 05-0511-193**

*Authorizing Execution of Intergovernmental Accord with the State of Michigan  
Concerning Economic Development Interests*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinábek* (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 leaders of Michigan's federally recognized Indian Nations and the Governor of the State of Michigan have committed to holding annual Tribal-State Summits for the purpose of improving government-to-government relations; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of that goal, representatives of the twelve (12) federally recognized Indian Nations in Michigan, including the Ogema, have negotiated an "Intergovernmental Accord between the Tribal Leaders of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribes in Michigan and the Governor of the State of Michigan Concerning Economic Development Interests" confirming each governments' commitment to coordinate economic development activities; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the proposed Accord concerning economic development activities has been presented to the Tribal Council for review and ratification; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that this is an appropriate governmental activity;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the "Intergovernmental Accord between the Tribal Leaders of the Federally Recognized Indian Tribes in Michigan and the Governor of the State of Michigan Concerning Economic Development Interests" at the Tribal-State Summit to be held at the Governmental Complex of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians on the Reservation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands on May 13, 2005.

**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 May 11, 2005, 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

Attest:

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