

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-0518-213

Authorizes Tribal Ogema to execute Contract between the Tribe and Thomas Battice to Remove three (3) Trap Nets from Lake Michigan

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng 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, 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 under Article IV, Section 7(a)(4) and (c) to manage the properties of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, several nets owned by the Tribe are currently submerged in Lake Michigan and need to be removed at the earliest possible time; and,
- WHEREAS, the Contract Mr. Thomas Battice has the expertise and means to perform the removal tasks;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute a contract with Mr. Thomas Battice to remove the three (3) trap nets identified in the contract document from the depths of Lake Michigan at the earliest possible time. The contract amount cannot exceed \$7800.00 to be funded through General Fund. No waiver of immunity is authorized.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 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 18, 2005, at the Little River Band's Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

anine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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Attest:

Tribal Ogema Tribal Court