



## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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### Resolution # 05-0525-227

#### *Amending the List of Persons Authorized to Sign Checks from the Little River Casino Resort Expansion Account*

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 vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(i), to manage the funds of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted resolution # 04-0310-115 which created the Development Committee and directed it to manage the Little River Casino Resort Expansion Project (*Expansion Project*); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted resolution # 04-0630-285 which established a final budget for Expansion Project that set limitations on financial authority of the Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted resolution # 04-0630-286 which clarified Development Committee authority in regards to the Expansion Project; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the Development Committee has crucial responsibilities in maintaining the project goals and time lines and that lowering the quorum requirements to two members is in the best interests of the Tribe by resolution # 05-0518-215;


WHEREAS, the Tribal Council established a bank account to manage the project funds by adoption of resolution # 04-0804-327, which also identified persons authorized to sign checks drawn on the account as approved by the Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Development Committee has requested the authorizations be updated in light of the changes to the membership of the Development Committee;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby rescinds the authorization to sign checks identified in Resolution # 04-0804-327 and authorizes the following persons as check signers on the Little River Casino Resort Expansion Project banking account – Lee A. Sprague, Ogema; Israel Stone, Councilor; Jim La Porte, General Manager. Further, the Tribal Council directs the Consulting Chief Financial Officer to make such changes in the signature cards as soon as possible to avoid undue delays in payment of invoices arising out the Expansion Project.

### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINING, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 25, 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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