## **Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**



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## **Resolution # 05-0608-238**

Approval of Supplemental Budget Appropriation to Fund the Community Well Being and Support Program and Elders Assistance Program for FY 2005

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (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(i) 4 to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Little River Band, and to appropriate these funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has filed the findings from the Community Well Being and Support Program Survey for FY 2004, and such findings indicate that the Membership experiences significant need in several areas that are considered basic necessities that impact the condition of the general welfare including by way of illustration but not limited to:

Payment of Utility/energy cost
Payment for Food
Payment for Clothing
Payment for the cost of Shelter (mortgage/rent/property tax)

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to fund the Community Well Being and Support Program at a level that will provide funding to all adult members, and recognizes that there has been an increase in the total population of the Little River Band since the program was implemented during FY 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Operating Budget for FY 2005 as set forth and adopted by Resolution #04-1215-510, includes appropriations in the Membership Assistance area as follows:

Community Well Being and Support: \$1,537,500.00 Elders Assistance Program: \$1,090,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the increase in population of Membership requires additional amounts to be added to each program to fully fund the benefits for members.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the General Unrestricted Revenues of the Little River Band in the amount of two million, eight hundred ninety-five thousand, six-hundred dollars (\$2,895,600.00) to be allocated as follows:

Program #1000-137 - Members Assistance Line # 5204 - Client Services

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>8 FOR</u>, <u>0 AGAINST</u>, <u>0 ABSTAINING</u>, and <u>1 VACANT</u>, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 8, 2005, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

wine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

Presentation of Resolution Budget Modification to Tribal Ogema:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution #05-0608-238, modifying the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2005 as set forth in Resolution #04-1215-510, has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema:

Signature of Council Recorder:

Action by the Tribal Ogema: 📈 Approved

\_ Disapproved (attach comments)

Date:

Signature of Ogema:

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