

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-0608-243

Authorization for Tribal Ogema to Sign Engagement Letter Contract with Yeo & Yeo, P.C. to Perform Audits of the Tribal Government 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan for the Year ending December 31, 2004

- 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 reviewed proposals in 2004 and approved the audit firm of Yeo & Yeo, P.C. to serve as the external audit firm for the 401(k) plan years ending December 31, 2003 through December 31, 2005; and
- WHEREAS, the Accounting Firm of Yeo & Yeo, P.C. has submitted an engagement letter contract for performing the services for the 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan audit for the period ended December 31, 2004; and
- WHEREAS, the engagement letter must be received by Yeo & Yeo, P.C. prior to beginning fieldwork on the audit;

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to sign the engagement letter for Yeo & Yeo, P.C.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby authorizes a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for purposes of dispute resolution and consents to the jurisdiction of the Commercial Division of the Tribal Court.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>8</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>1</u> VACANT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 8, 2005, at the Little River Band's Conference 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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