



## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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### Resolution # 05-0720-324

*Directing the Housing Department Director to Present Housing Development Recommendations at the August 10, 2005 Tribal Council Meeting to Allow Allocation of Housing Stock Reserve Funds*

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(a)(4), (c) and (d), to manage the properties of the Tribe;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(i)(2), to manage the funds of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted resolution # 05-0720-323 creating the Housing Stock Reserve Fund for the purposes of funding Tribal housing construction which will increase housing availability and employment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has approved the Aki Maadiziwin Subdivision, is conducting the final review of the subdivision building and zoning ordinance, and has approved ordinances that allow for individual member owned housing on trust property at the subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council funds that federal funding addresses the housing needs of members in most need who meet federal low income guidelines, that elder housing requirements have begun to be addressed, and that members who can afford new home construction have housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council funds that the gap between federal low income guidelines and members who can qualify for home ownership loans or construction loans continues to be an unmet need and that housing opportunities should be made available through individual, multi-family town houses, and apartment dwellings should be addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that the Housing Department has the available information which will allow it to provide a report and recommendation regarding Tribally funded housing development within the next five years;

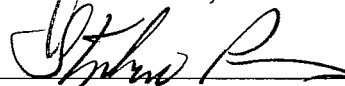
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby directs the Housing Department Director and Housing Commission Chair to submit reports and recommendations regarding housing development utilizing Tribal funds at the August 10, 2005 Tribal Council meeting.

**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, 0 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on July 20, 2005, at the Little River Band's Dome 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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