Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution # 05-0820-401

Authorization for Elaine Porter, Councilor, to Attend the National Congress of American Indians 62nd Annual Session 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 adopted resolution # 04-1215-505 which identified the requirements of notice and attendance at Tribal Council meetings; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution was to enable to the Tribal Council to identify the existence of quorums, and to have the necessary persons available to answer questions at those meetings; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution # 04-1215-505, Resolve #1(4) requires authorization by resolution for attendance at these types of meetings where the official is not fulfilling the responsibility of an appointment;
- WHEREAS, Resolution # 05-0525-225 named Elaine Porter as a delegate to the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council enacted Resolutions #05-0720-333 and #05-0803-363, temporarily revising the manner in which tribal funds are approved for expenditure on travel related activities, due to government funds in excess of \$235,000.00 being spent on such activities at the time the resolution was adopted; and

WHEREAS, the Travel expenditure for Elaine Porter of Tribal Council proposed is requested to be processed and authorized during the time period that requires approval by the Tribal Council prior to expending the government funds for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council warrants that the travel related expenses requested for approval by this resolution are:

- 1. Pre-planned and budgeted activity within the department, and
- 2. The travel is necessary to fulfill the goals and objectives of the Department.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves the travel related expenditure request in accordance with Resolution #05-0722-333 and #05-0803-363 for the following:

Dates: October 29 – November 5, 2005

Purpose: National Congress of American Indians Delegate

Location: Tulsa, OK

Name: Elaine Porter, Tribal Councilor

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, 1 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on August 20, 2005, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janipe M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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