## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## **Resolution # 05-0831-421**

Approving the renewal of Tribal Government Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage with Hudson Insurance Company Effective September 1, 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Government Workers' Compensation insurance coverage will expire on September 1, 2005,
- WHEREAS, it is recommended to renew the Workers' Compensation insurance coverage with Hudson Insurance Company effective September 1, 2005.
- NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians approves the renewal of Workers' Compensation insurance coverage with Hudson Insurance Company effective September 1, 2005.

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council ratifies the policy contract with Hudson Insurance Company for Workers' Compensation Insurance and authorizes the Ogema to enter into the contract.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council, under authority vested in Article XI of the Constitution, hereby adopts this limited waiver of sovereign immunity regarding worker compensation and employer liability insurance claims to be filed in the Tribal Court. Nothing in this limited waiver shall authorize claims filed against the Tribal under these insurance policies to be brought in any other forum.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>6</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>1</u> ABSTAINING, <u>1</u> ABSENT, and <u>1</u> VACANT, at a Special Meeting of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on August 31, 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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