## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## **Resolution # 05-0907-438**

Approval of Expenditure by Tribal Council for the Purposes of Donating Transportation Costs for the Purposes of Providing Relief to Victims of Hurricane Katrina.

- 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, subject to the veto of the Tribal Ogema, under the Article IV, Section 7(i)(1) of the Constitution to approve expenditures of Tribal funds; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the <u>Budget and Appropriations Ordinance</u>, # 01-100-04, which identifies and authorizes expenditures of funds within an approved budget through regulations created by the Tribal Ogema and adopted by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the *Purchasing and Procurement Regulations*, #R100-01:AC-01, have been approved by the Tribal Ogema and Tribal Council which directs that authorization of expenditures in excess of \$2,500.00 must be made by the Tribal Council; and

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council as has budgeted \$6,400 for the purpose of providing relief to victims of Hurricane Katrina, of which several of those affected are Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that providing assistance to allow the relief supplies collected by the New Life Tabernacle Church to be transported to the Hurricane Katrina disaster area, of which several members of the Tribe are members of the church; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that assisting the communities in the Hurricane Katrina disaster area in partnership with the local communities is an important community support and partnering responsibility of the Tribe;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the expenditure of budgeted funds in the amount of \$6,400 to be utilized as follows.

- 1. \$1400.00 for the purposes of providing fuel and transportation costs.
- 2. \$2000.00 for the purposes of holding a Spaghetti Dinner for the purposes of collecting relief supplies and materials for the Hurricane Katrina victims.
- 3. \$3,000.00 for the purposes of purchasing relief supplies for Hurricane Katrina victims.

## **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, 0 ABSTAINING, 2 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 7, 2005, at the Little River Band's Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Jamine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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