



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-0928-471

*Authorizing Execution of the Contract with Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Research
Laboratory for Sampling of Water Column Mercury*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinádbek* (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(b) of the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians ("Tribal Constitution"), has the power to ratify contracts negotiated on behalf of the Band; and


WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article XI, Section 1, has the authority to waive the Tribe's immunity from suit and consent to the jurisdiction of courts to resolve disputes arising under agreements to which the Tribe is a party; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Department has requested a contract from Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Research Laboratory to analyze samples of water column mercury;

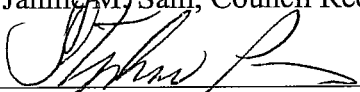
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians authorizes execution of the Contract with Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Research Laboratory to analyze water column mercury samples.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 28, 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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