Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution # 05-1005-485

Approving budget narrative change to the Tribal Council Budget for Miscellaneous Costs Associated with Travel and Related Activities Required of Councilors and Commission Members in Support of Litigation Activities

- 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 Tribe is currently involved in litigation-related activities that often require Councilors and Commission members to incur miscellaneous expenses related to travel and other expenses associated with attendance at meetings, briefings and hearings related to such litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council does not currently have a line item specifically designated for such miscellaneous litigation-related expenses and the Tribal Council budget narrative needs to be changed to cover the miscellaneous expenses beginning September 1, 2005 through the end of the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the budget and has determined that the budget narrative under the travel line item may be modified; and

WHEREAS, this action requires the Tribal Council and Ogema approval in accordance with the Constitution and section 6.03(b) of the <u>Budget and Appropriation</u> Ordinance, #04-100-04.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Tribal Council budget narrative change beginning September 1, 2005, as follows:

1000-100-100-5802 Travel

Change NIGA – April 2005 – 4 Council members (\$5,000)

Add Misc Costs for Litigation Support \$5,000

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the expenditure of funds from this line item by Councilors or Commission members shall be specifically authorized in accordance with applicable Regulations and resolutions governing expenditures for travel and other costs.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>8</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, <u>0</u> ABSENT, and <u>1</u> VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 5, 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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Presentation of Resolution Budget Modification to Tribal Ogema:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution # 05-1005-485, modifying the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2005 as set forth in Resolution #04-1215-510, has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema: _	W-7-05
Signature of Council Recorder: _	ganin
Action by the Tribal Ogema: 🖊 Appr	oved Disapproved (attach comments)
Date:	1/105
Signature of Ogo	ema:

Distribution: Council Records Tribal Ogema Tribal Court