Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution # 05-1005-501

Authorization of Stipends for Elders Seated on the Selection Committee

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 finds that the involvement of Elders in the employment hiring processes is in the best interests of the Tribe and utilizes the unique knowledge of the Elder's in assisting in the determination of the individual best suited to be hired; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that providing compensation to Elders for sitting in the interview process in the form of a stipend offsets the costs of attending interviews, which sometimes may span several days; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that this stipend should cover each day the Elder is required to attend meetings regarding the hiring process, including screening and interviews;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the payment of a \$100.00 stipend to an Elder serving on the Selection Committee and that the stipend shall be paid for each day the Elder is participating, in person, in the selection process, including, but not limited to, screening, and each day of interviews.

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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