



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 05-1026-552

Approving Travel Authorization Request for Gaming Commission Staff Member

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (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 Article IV, Section 7(i)(1) of the Constitution to approve expenditures of Tribal funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance, #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 Tribal Council has, in Gaming Commission Ordinance No. 04-400-04, created a Gaming Commission and delegated to such Commission the authority to regulate all gaming activities authorized by the Tribe and to enforce all Tribal and federal laws governing the conduct of Tribally-licensed gaming activities; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Commission shall pursuant to Section 6.02 (g) of the Gaming Commission Ordinance (Ordinance #04-400-04), arrange for training of Gaming Commissioners, Gaming Commission employees and others in areas relating to the regulation of gaming; and

WHEREAS, Gaming Commission staff member Kelly Maser submitted a request to travel on November 6th – 9th, 2005 to attend the National Tribal Gaming Commissioner/Regulators Conference in Hollywood, Florida; and

WHEREAS, this conference will be beneficial to the staff member as it will be covering a large range of information from background investigations, internal auditing, and updates on new frauds, cheats and scams happening in the industry; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Commission has budgeted funds available within Program #1000-121 to cover all travel and training expenses; and


WHEREAS, this training request will replace the Phoenix Rising Unlimited training that was cancelled by the trainer and that Kelly Maser was previously approved by Tribal Council to attend;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a request from the Gaming Commission for approval of the staff member to attend the National Tribal Gaming Commission/Regulators Conference.


NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Travel Authorization Requests for Kelly Maser to travel on November 6th – 9th, 2005 to Hollywood, Florida to attend the National Tribal Gaming Commissioner/Regulators Conference.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 26, 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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