## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## **Resolution # 05-1102-565**

Adoption of Government Employment Relations Act of 2005

- 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 adopted the Government Employment Relations Act of 2005 on an emergency basis by Resolution # 05-0706-305 and directed the ordinance be placed for Public Comment; and
- WHEREAS, the ordinance was placed for Public Comment from July 7, 2005 to August 23, 2005 and a single comment was received; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council conducted a final work session, the Public Comment was reviewed, and amendments were incorporated; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that adoption of this ordinance provides protections for employees by granting the right to review limited employment related disciplinary actions by the Tribal Court;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby adopts the <u>Government Employment Relations Act of 2005</u>, Ordinance # 05-600-01, on a permanent basis for immediate implementation.

## **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, 1 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 2, 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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