## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## Resolution # 05-1130-610

Approval of a grant application to the State of Michigan under the Natural Heritage Program in the amount of \$10,000 for Fiscal Year 2005

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi 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, given the proliferation of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) in Michigan, there is a need to assess the damage from EAB on Tribal lands and to conduct eradication efforts in order to preserve ash resources for future generations; and.
- WHEREAS, the Natural Heritage Program provides grant funding for up to \$10,000 to conduct such an assessment, to employ eradication efforts, and to create a documentary of cultural traditions associated with ash resources.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians approves the submission of a grant application to the State of Michigan under the Natural Heritage Program in the amount of \$10,000.00 for FY 2005.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>8 FOR</u>, <u>0 AGAINST</u>, <u>0 ABSTAINING</u>, <u>0 ABSENT</u>, and <u>1 VACANT</u>, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 30, 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

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