Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution # 05-1130-623

Amending FY 2005 Budget to provide funding for Energy Relief Program established by Ordinance

- 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 has been delegated Legislative powers by the membership, and 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 Government Operations Budget for FY 2005 did include an allocation of funds set aside for Capital Outlay to develop other tribal enterprises that was not utilized during FY 2005; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that providing for public assistance programs that provide benefit to tribal membership is consistent with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the source of funding for the energy assistance program should not be taken from surplus funding, but is more appropriate to modify the budget and release funds that will not be utilized for the purposes intended during this fiscal year within the FY 2005 budget as adopted,

and there will be additional funding required during FY 2006 to fully fund and implement this assistance program.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby modifies the FY 2005 Budget as follows:

Reduce Program #156-6100 Capital Outlay – (\$2,788,000.00) and transfer to Program #1000-137, Account #5203-Client Services, Sub Account #211-Energy Relief - \$2,788,000.00

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council authorizes the immediate release of funds under the Energy Assistance Program, and authorizes Members Assistance Department to process benefit payments to tribal members as identified by the Ordinance.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with FOR, AGAINST, ABSTAINING, ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, 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
Attest:
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 # 05-1130-623, 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:
Signature of Council Recorder:
Action by the Tribal Ogema: Approved Disapproved (attach comments)
Date: 12/2/05
Signature of Ogema:
Distribution: Council Records Tribal Ogema

Tribal Court