

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #05-1221-717

Approval of expenditure by Tribal Council of an additional amount not to exceed \$5,000 for costs associated with reimbursing Little River Casino Resort for Cigarette Taxes after State quota is met for the year

- 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, on December 7, 2005 the Tribal Council passed Resolution #05-1207-659 for approval to reimburse Little River Casino Resort for cigarette taxes after state quota is met for an amount not to exceed \$8,000; and
- WHEREAS, the Tax Officer has determined that actual sales of tax exempt sales for December are exceeding the amount estimated; and
- WHEREAS, if additional funding cannot be obtained we will have to suspend tax-exempt cigarette sales at the Odawa Gift Shop

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Tribal Council expenditure of an additional amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the Tribal Council Budget (Program #1000-100), Account #5202 (Tribal Activities) to reimburse Little River Casino Resort for cigarette taxes after State quota is met for the year.

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 December 21, 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:

Distribution: Tax Office

Tribal Council Tribal Ogema Budget Manager