



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution # 09-0902-253**

*Authorization to Disburse Minor Judgment Fund Accounts of Disenrolled and Relinquished Tribal Members to Reservation Restoration Fund*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng 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 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 approved the Judgment Funds Procedures Ordinance which identifies the allocation and disbursement processes for land claims litigation settlement funds; and

WHEREAS, THE Ordinance identified a percentage of the Judgment Fund would be disbursed to each member, and those members under the age of 18 at the time of disbursement would have their payments placed in trust accounts to be released upon request after reaching the age of 18; and

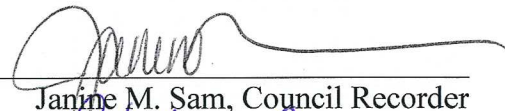
WHEREAS, THE Tribal Council reviewed the Ordinance and has determined that trust accounts that were set up to disburse the funds to a minor who was subsequently disenrolled or relinquished prior to disbursement of the minors trust account belongs to the Tribe and should be deposited within the Reservation Restoration Account;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council had passed Resolution #04-0602-233 (Authorization to Disbursement Minor Judgment Fund Accounts of Disenrolled Members to Reservation Restoration Fund) and will be rescinded and replaced by this Resolution.

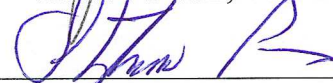
NOW THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby directs the release of minor trust account funds for any disenrolled or relinquished minor to the Tribe to be placed with the Reservation Restoration Account, #6020.

**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, and 2 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 2, 2009, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

  
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Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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