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Resolution #14-0312-067

Rescinding Resolution # 14-0129-018 and Replacing with this Resolution which amends the composition of the Health Services Task Force

- 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, the Tribal Council is authorized to create subordinate bodies, establish Commissions, and delegate power to such organizations in accordance with Article IV, Section 7(f); and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has recognized the need for a comprehensive system to care for the physical health and the welfare of Tribal Citizens; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal Council wishes to utilize the collective skills of the Clinic, Family Services, Behavioral Health, Finance, the Ogema and Tribal Council to plan and oversee the implementation of a coordinated and comprehensive health and welfare services process for all tribal citizens; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved Resolution #14-0129-018 To Authorize the Formation of a Health Services Task Force; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that the Health Director should be a member of the Health Services Task Force rather than the Human Resources Director.

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council does hereby establish a Health & Welfare Services Task Force which shall be composed of the Chief Financial Officer, Tribal Manager, Health Director, a Council member and a Health Commission member.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the task force is charged with developing a comprehensive plan to deliver coordinated health and welfare services to tribal citizens. The main goal of the task force is to develop plans to assess and improve the health status of tribal members. The plans developed by the task force shall require Tribal Council approval by resolution before they can be implemented.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Health & Welfare Services Task Force is exempted from the requirements of the Committees Ordinance (#07-150-08) in accordance with Section 4.02 of the Committees Ordinance.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Health & Welfare Services Task Force, shall be required to act by motion and roll call vote, with majority vote prevailing, on any matter that comes for approval or action of the Task Force.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the delegation of authority and conveyance of decision making powers for the Health & Welfare Services Task Force shall remain in effect until Tribal Council takes official action to dissolve the Task Force.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Resolution #14-0129-18 shall be rescinded and replaced with this Resolution.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT Task Force member attendance is mandated. Absences are excused only due to business related travel. Any Task Force member that misses three meetings shall be removed from the Task Force. The Ogema shall nominate a replacement within 30 days of the removal of a Task Force member and Tribal Council shall approve or disapprove of the nomination at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 12, 2014, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

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