## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## Resolution #16-0217-046

Approval to Replenish the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund; Authorization to Expend Funds

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi 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, the Ogema and Tribal Council have established the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund to ensure adequate financial resources to explore additional opportunity and potential development of an another Tribal enterprise; and
- WHEREAS, the Ogema and Tribal Council have determined that the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund needs to be replenished to continue exploring additional opportunities and potential development of another Tribal Enterprise; and
- WHEREAS, the Ogema and Tribal Council have determined that the funding to replenish the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund should be transferred from the Housing Stock Reserve Fund; and
- WHEREAS, the Ogema and Tribal Council have determined the amount of funding that needs to be transferred from the Housing Stock Reserve Fund to be \$1,400,000.00 to cover calendar year 2016 expenditures; and

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby directs that \$1,400,000.00 be transferred from the Housing Stock Reserve Fund to the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the expenditure of the Strategic Gaming Reserve Fund to explore additional opportunity and potential development of another Tribal Enterprise.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 17, 2016, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

oseph Riley II, Tribal Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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