



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #16-0302-064

Authorizing the Sponsorship Donation of \$1,000.00 to National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA)

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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 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 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) requires that Indian Tribes that operate gaming operations commit gaming dollars to charitable donations, and the Little River Band's Per Capita Plan has adopted an allocation of gaming dollars to be used as donated funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is responsible for determining the recipients of donations for one half of the donated fund reserves, and the Tribal Ogema is responsible for selecting the remainder of recipients, based on the Tribe's approved Budget for FY 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Leadership has determined that donations to organizations which contribute to the well-being of Tribal Members and especially our Tribal Youth are appropriate for the purposes established by the Revenue Allocation Plan and the restrictions imposed by IGRA; and

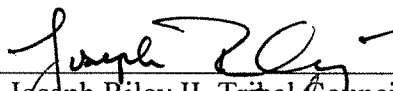
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves the donation of \$1,000 to National Indian Child Welfare Association as follows from the donation line:

Tribal Council	8600-100-5304	\$500.00
Tribal Ogema	8600-101-5304	\$500.00

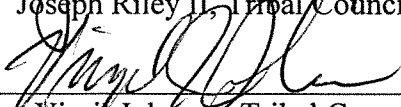
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council directs the Tribal Council's Recorder to prepare a cover letter which is to accompany the donation check to express the Tribe's commitment to supporting our Tribal resources.

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 2, 2016, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Recorder



Virgin Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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