

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #16-0406-098

Resolution to Appoint Four Members of the Election Board to Act as the Tribe's Representatives on the 2016 Secretarial Election Board

- 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 initial colonial powers to various treaties with the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed in 1994 by federal law P.L. 103-324; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership, on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon 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 Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council previously adopted Resolutions which approved presentation of amendments to the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, in accordance with Article XIV; and
- WHEREAS, the proposed amendments were forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for the purpose of requesting a Secretarial Election and the proposed amendments have been approved for Secretarial Election; and
- WHEREAS, the Secretary of Interior requires the Tribe appoint four Tribal Members to act as the Tribe's representatives on the Secretarial Election Board for such an election; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe already has five elected members of the election board who are familiar with the Secretary of Interior's and the Tribe's election procedures; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby appoints Tammy Bowen, Terry Bermeister, Karen Love, and Carol Gibner to the 2016 Secretarial Election Board to serve as the Tribe's representatives.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 6, 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