



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
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**Resolution #16-0413-108**

*Approving a Letter of Support for Uniting Three Fires Against Violence (UTFAV) for their work in providing technical support to Michigan Tribes to increase tribes capacity to respond to incidents of violence within Native communities*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Zíibi 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 legislative powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Council according to Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) and (2) to establish laws through the enactment of ordinances and adoption of resolutions to govern the conduct of Tribal Members and others within the Tribe's jurisdiction and to promote, protect and 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 by Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Little River Band with political subdivisions or private parties on all matters within the authority of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the executive powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Ogema according to Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is authorized to consult, negotiate and execute agreements

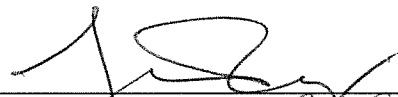
and contracts on behalf of the Little River Band with governments, political subdivisions and private parties subject to authorization and ratification by Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and the Tribal Ogema, are in support of Uniting Three Fires Against Violence for their work with providing cultural technical training to Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's Domestic Violence Task Force and Program with their ongoing efforts to reduce the incidents of domestic and sexual violence that occurs in Michigan's Native communities;

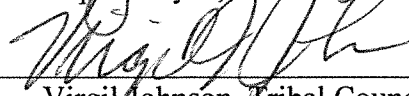
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves the execution of a Letter of Support for Uniting Three Fires Against Violence and that letter to be sent to UTFAV's Executive Director Lori Jump directly from Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

**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 April 13, 2016, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Recorder



Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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