



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Open Session
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Resolution # 16-0413-109

Acceptance of the Dennis, Gartland & Niergarth (DG & N) Engagement Letter for the Government Audit for the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2016, and to Authorize the Ogema to Endorse the Engagement Letter

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng 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 adopted, in accordance with Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution and the Government Business and Accounting Act of 2010 which identifies how external audits are conducted and reported by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe conducts audits of its activities for the purpose of compliance with federal laws and agreements with external entities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has approved DG & N to perform audits of the Financial Statements of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Government for the years ended 2015 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, DG & N has presented their engagement letter governing the audits of the Financial Statements of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Government for the year ended December 31, 2015 and 2016;


NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the engagement letter with DG & N dated February 16, 2016;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Ogema is authorized to endorse the DG & N engagement letter dated February 16, 2016;

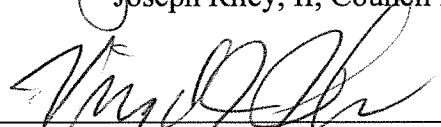
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT nothing in this agreement shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity.

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 Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 13, 2016, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Joseph Riley, II, Council Recorder



Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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 Tribal Ogema