Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution #16-0511-134

Approval of Letter of Support to the Muskegon Food Hub Phase-2 Plan

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and a 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)(1) 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 provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is authorized to consult and negotiate on behalf of the Little River Band with governments and political subdivisions, subject to authorization and ratification by Tribal Council; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and the Tribal Ogema support the Muskegon Food Hub Phase-2 Plan to assist specialty crop producers and beginning farmers in West Michigan in connecting to new markets and will provide health and local food to the Muskegon Community, the West Michigan Region, and to the Chicago Market.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that the Tribal Council approves the execution of a letter of support for the Muskegon Food Hub Phase-2 Plan be sent to Muskegon Area First directly from the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

CERTIFICATION 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, 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council, held on May 11, 2016, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for the vote.

Joseph Riley II, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

Distribution: Tribal Council

Tribal Ogema

Unified Legal Department