

## **Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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## **Resolution # 16-0511-135**

Approval to send certified list of eligible voters to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for upcoming election

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians will be holding an election regarding the proposed Constitutional Amendments; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs is requesting a list of eligible voters 18 and over by July 11, 2016, to submit to them.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Enrollment Department to forward the a certified list of eligible voters 18 and over by July 11, 2016, to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the upcoming election

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>9</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>0</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed 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 such vote.

oseph Riley II, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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