

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 2608 Government Center Drive Manistee, Michigan 49660

## **Resolution # 16-0518-149**

Authorizing the Ogema to execute the Construction Contract between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and RCA, LLC for the Construction of the Community Pavilion and Two Residential Units located at Aki maadiziwin in Manistee, MI

- 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 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 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 by Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Triba 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 Tribe with governments, political subdivisions and private parties, subject to authorization and ratification by Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the LRBOI Housing Department has publically solicited proposals from various contractors; and
- WHEREAS, the Housing Department, after consultation with the Construction Task Force, believes that it is in the best interest of the Tribe and its members to approve the contract with RCA, LLC for construction services to develop a Community Pavilion and Two Residential Units at Aki maadiziwin, Manistee, Michigan; and
- NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the RCA, LLC Design and Management Group construction contract for the Construction of the Community Pavilion and Two Residential Units located at Aki maadiziwin in Manistee

## **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, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 18, 2016, at the Little River Band Government Center in Manistee, Michigan with a quorum being present for such vote.

Attest:

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