



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #16-0810-219

Approving the Submission of a Grant Application to the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, under the American Indian/Alaska Native Early Head Start (EHS) Expansion and EHS – Child Care Partnerships Funding Opportunity in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00

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 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, there is a long-standing need to offer (native and non-native) children (infants and toddlers) in the Manistee area well-established Early Head Start programmatic benefits through a high-quality service delivery system; and

WHEREAS, the American Indian/Alaska Native Early Head Start (EHS) Expansion and Child Care Partnerships Program provides funding for activities to address and enhance the physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of participating children; and

WHEREAS, Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's Child and Family Development Center provides a strong program to strongly influence the well-being outcomes of both Native American and non-native infants and toddlers through a Comprehensive Service Delivery System: and

WHEREAS, as the result of several years of work by the Family Service Department, there is strong community support for Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's Child and Family Development Center from multiple community representatives and agencies; and

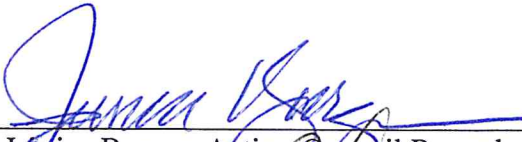
WHEREAS, the building and site are currently in the process of being renovated (to very high standards) and other service operational needs are also in the process of being addressed that will allow for the implementation of services in early 2017.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the grant application to the American Indian/Alaska Native Early Head Start (EHS) Expansion and EHS – Child Care Partnership Program in an amount not to exceed the \$500,000.00.

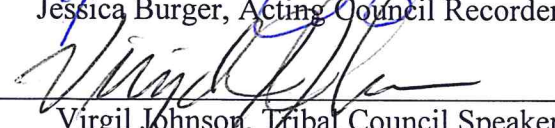
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, by this resolution, authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute any/all application related materials and further commits to meeting the matching requirement of 25% in accordance with the parameters and limitations as set forth in the RFP.

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 August 10, 2016 at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Jessica Burger, Acting Council Recorder



Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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