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



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## Resolution # 16 -1221-413

Approval of Contract with Automated Election Services to Provide Election Support for the Special Election on February 9, 2017, not to exceed \$7,500

- 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 Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on July 11, 2016 which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on August 24, 2016; 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 Election Board is responsible for conducting all Tribal Elections as stated in Article IX, section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and
- WHEREAS, the Election Board declared a Special Election to be held on February 9, 2017, to fill the 9-County Seat on the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Election Board has approved the selection of Automated Election Services to provide the elections services; and

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WHEREAS, the Unified Legal Department has reviewed the contract with Automated Election Services and Tribal Council approves all terms including the limit of contract payments in the amount of \$7,500; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the contract with Automated election Services and authorizes the Ogema to sign the contract.

## CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 2 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 21, 2016, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Joseph Riley, H. Council Recorder

irgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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Unified Legal Department