



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution #17-0118-010**

*Approving the Submission of a Letter of Intent to the Health Department of Northwest Michigan – Greenspace Improvement Projects to Increase Physical Activity Initiative and, if invited, full application in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 which will be utilized to enhance elements of the Tribal Child and Family Development Center*

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 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 by our Constitution 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 is currently in the process of renovating a tribally owned building commonly known as the “interim” casino to create a space appropriate for a Tribal Child and Family Development Center; and

WHEREAS, the “Center” promotes healthy eating and physical activity (greenhouse and playground activities) and therefore is aligned with possible funding available through the Health Department of Northwest Michigan’s “Building Healthy Communities: Greenspace Improvement Project to Increase Physical Activity Initiative; and


WHEREAS, this funding opportunity requires the submission of a Letter of Intent and subsequent full application upon invitation; and

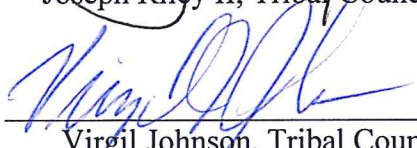
WHEREAS, there is a compressed timeline within which to complete both the Letter of Intent and full application (if invited to do so).

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the submission of the Letter of Intent and (if invited) the full grant application to the Health Department of Northwest Michigan – Building Healthy Communities – Greenspace Improvement Project to Increase Physical Activity Initiative in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 and further authorizes the Tribal Ogema to submit same – funding will provide important enhancements to the Child and Family Development Center.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, and 1 Vacant, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on January 18, 2017 at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Recorder

  
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Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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