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## Resolution # 17-0503-163

Adopting a Qualified Roll of Tribal Members Whose Files Were Subject To, And Confirmed By, Audits Conducted in 1996, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016 as Submitted by the Enrollment Department with Total Number of 4,184 Living Tribal Members and 336 Records for Deceased

- 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) and the 1855 Treaty of Detroit (11 Stat 621) 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 II, Section 4 to establish ordinances governing membership, including but not limited to enrollment and disenrollment; Provided that the Tribal Council shall not have the power to change or establish substantive requirements for membership in addition to those established in this Article; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a)(1) to govern the conduct of members of the Little River Band and other persons within its jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a)(2) to promote, protect and provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Ordinance at Section 7.03 provides for the adoption of a Qualified Roll for the purpose of permitting the enrollment application process to require only proof of family relationship to a person listed on the qualified roll; and
- WHEREAS, Article XI of the Enrollment Ordinance provides for the confidentiality and the confidential maintenance of enrollment data, records and information; and
- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Ordinance at Article XV provides for the review or audit of enrollment files to verify the accuracy of the data and decisions made concerning a member's enrollment file; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution # 04-1027-427 Directing the Enrollment Department to Submit a Qualified Membership Roll for Adoption by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Department, has successfully completed such Article XV file reviews audits in 1996, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016; and
- WHEREAS, the Enrollment Department has submitted to Tribal Council a Qualified Roll of Members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians whose enrollment files have been subject to an Article XV file review and have been certified by the Enrollment Commission as provided by Article XV.
- NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby Adopts a Qualified Roll of Tribal Members whose files were subject to, and confirmed by, audits conducted by the Enrollment Department in 1996, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016; and
- IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Enrollment Department maintain and utilize this Qualified Roll in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of the Enrollment Ordinance; and
- IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Enrollment Department shall preserve this Qualified Roll as a confidential enrollment recorded subject to the restriction on disclosure and use as proscribed in the Enrollment Ordinance at Article XI; and
- IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that shall be in effect immediately upon adoption by the Tribal Council.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council on May 3, 2017 with 7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on, at the Little River Band's Governmental Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Joseph Riley II, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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