



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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**Resolution #17-0920-311**

*Approving the finalization of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (LRBOI) and the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan (ITC) for the implementation of a Tribal Opioid Use Disorder Prevention Initiative (TOP) as funded through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)*

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 the 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 participated in the ATR Program as administered by the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. (ITC); and

WHEREAS, the ATR program has been extended by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services through the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. (ITC) to work with Michigan tribes to address the ongoing Opioid Epidemic in Michigan Tribal Communities; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians ATR-related services involved a Memorandum of Agreement with ITC under the title of "Tribal Opioid Treatment and Recovery Initiative (TOTR) and was previously approved by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, there is now an additional MOA for a separate "Tribal Opioid Use Disorder Prevention Initiative (TOP) Program (funded by MDHHS) for primary/secondary, culturally competent strategies/methodologies/best practices; and

WHEREAS, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians participation would provide additional funding not to exceed \$43,709.00 for a one-year period of time, beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, this initiative complements the clinical and/or recovery support services for Tribal Opioid Treatment and Recovery (TOTR) clients and is recommended by the Health Department and Be-Da-Bin; and

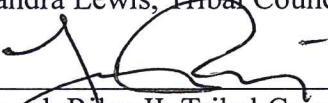
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. for the implementation of a Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Opioid Disorder Prevention Program (TOP) in an amount not to exceed \$43,709.00 for a one-year tribal project.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. as associated with the implementation of the Tribal Opioid Use Disorder Prevention (TOP) initiative to be managed through the Tribal Health Department and the Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health Program.

**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, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 20, 2017 at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council Recorder

  
Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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