## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## Resolution #17-1115-392

- Approval by Resolution of Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Donation to Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxiliary, Custer Bar Post 5096, in an amount of \$4,000.00, which is sufficient for the purchase of a U.S. flag and flag pole and it's installation
- 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 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 has the authority pursuant to the Revenue Allocation Plan to make "tribal donations" to "worthy causes"; and
- WHEREAS, representatives of the VFW Auxiliary, came to the tribe to request such a donation and were asked to submit a formal request in writing; and
- WHEREAS, the VFW representatives did subsequently make the case for their request in writing whereupon tribal representatives reviewed the request; and

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WHEREAS, after so doing, and in consideration of the requests closing sentence, i.e., "We ask you to help. Please don't give until it hurts: please consider giving until it feels good", the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians thought that the donation of a flag and flag pole (including installation) would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, this expressed intention was followed up with cost quotations related to this consideration which were made through our Purchasing Department and are included with informational packet supporting this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the total of the cost estimate was \$3,962.00, thus, a donation of \$4,000.00 would be appropriate.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT, the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves of a requested donation to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, Custer Gold Bar Post 5096, in the amount of \$4,000.00. The overall donation will be composed of smaller internal donations as follows: \$500.00 from the Warrior's Society, \$1,750 from the Tribal Ogema and the remaining \$1,750.00 from the Tribal Council. It is further resolved that this resolution approval will result in the generation of a check request for the amount of \$4,000.00 and that mutually agreeable arrangements for a check presentation by the Tribal Ogema and members of the Tribal Council will be made with VFW representatives.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 15, 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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