Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution #18-0523-152

Approval of a grant application for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) FY2019 Tribal Victim Services/Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Solicitation

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe is currently receiving Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Funding from the Department of Justice and now are being encouraged to resubmit for funding that will be channeled through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). If awarded this agreement includes the acceptance of grant funds from the State of Michigan in

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> the amount not to exceed \$500,000 for each of the State Fiscal Years Ending 2019 and 2022. There is no cash match requirement of the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT, the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the FY2019 Tribal Victim Services/Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) award agreement with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), if granted.

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 May 23, 2018 at the Little River Band's Governmental Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandra Lewis Tribal Council Recorder

Joseph R II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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