

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council

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Resolution #18-0905-263

Authorizing the Unified Legal Department to include Little River Band of Ottawa Indians as a Signatory on the Brief for the National Congress of American Indians, et al. as Amici Curiae in Support of Petitioner in Herrera v. Wyoming (docket no. 17-532)

- 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 under Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution to provide for the public health, peace, morals and education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized by Article IV, Section 7(e) to employ legal counsel; and
- WHEREAS, the National Congress of American Indians is seeking signatories to an Amicus Curiae Brief in support of Petitioner for pre-statehood off-reservation hunting, fishing, and gathering treaty rights, and the regulation of such reserved rights, in cooperation with States and the United States, to conserve natural resources and protect public health and safety;

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is committed to the preservation of pre-statehood off-reservation hunting, fishing, and gathering treaty rights, and the conservation of natural resources and the protection of public health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Unified Legal Department to include Little River Band of Ottawa Indians as a signatory on the Amicus Curiae Brief in Support of Petitioner in *Herrera v. Wyoming* (docket no. 17-532).

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 Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 5, 2018 at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council Recorder

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