

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #18-1103-319

Membership Renewal to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) for 2018

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 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

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WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians meets all requirements for Tribal Membership pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B of the Constitution and By-Laws of NCAI; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, which is the official governing body of the above named Tribe, hereby authorizes Larry B. Romanelli who is the official principal tribal official, to take the necessary action to place the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in Membership with NCAI; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal funds in the amount of \$25,000, based on the Tribal Membership dues schedule in the NCAI By-Laws, Article III – Members, Section C 2 are authorized to be paid for NCAI membership; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that, pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B 1(b) of the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians designates the following persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) to the National Congress of Americans;

Delegate: Larry B. Romanelli, Ogema

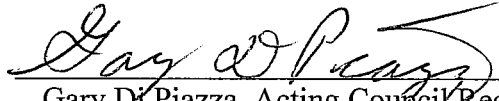
Alternate: Jamie Friedel, Tribal Councilor

Alternate: Sandra Lewis, Tribal Councilor

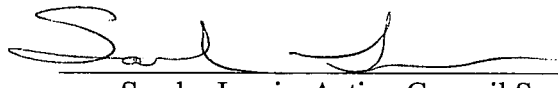
Alternate: Shannon Crampton, Tribal Councilor

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 2 ABSENT at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 3, 2018, at the Little River Casino Resort's Event Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Gary Di Piazza, Acting Council Recorder



Sandra Lewis, Acting Council Speaker

Attest:

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