## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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## Resolution #18-1212-368

Tribal Council acknowledges that Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is and has followed 24 CFR 1003.604 Citizen Participation Requirements as a part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Community Development Block Grant Program grant application process for the Food Distribution Center Construction Project

- 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, Department of Housing and Urban Development is making available up to \$700,000 through the Indian Community Development Block Grant Program to support community development infrastructure that positively impacts Low to Moderate Income (LMI) persons. As the Food Distribution Program exclusively services this population and has been searching for a year with the help of Council for a solution to their restricted space issues.
- WHEREAS, part of the application process, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is required to seek citizen participation by publicly announcing the project and seeking feedback

from members on aspects of the project as it affects them and consider changes to the project when provided. This has been done through presentations at Food Distribution Luncheons open to the membership, discussions at the most recent October 13<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting, and with elder members receiving delivery. In addition to these presentations continuing and feedback being gathered, preliminary plans are posted on the website with access opportunity given to members to provide feedback. Members are encouraged to call and visit with the Director of Food Distribution to see the current site and discuss the plans for a new facility to better meet the needs of those seeking food assistance from the program.

WHEREAS, a schematic design of the facility is scheduled to be produced by the end of December 2018 from the input received over the past few months, the Director of Food Distribution will present the outcome at the January Elders Meeting, open to the public.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT, Tribal Council acknowledges that Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is and has followed 24 CFR 1003.604 Citizen Participation Requirements as a part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Community Development Block Grant program grant application process for the Food Distribution Center Construction Project.

## **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 December 12, 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

Joseph/Riley II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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