



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, MI 49660

Resolution #19-1113-300

Approval to apply for funding through Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), (FY) 2020 Tribal Behavioral Health Grant Program (Short Title: Native Connections)

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

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a member of the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc., a tribal organization and non-profit corporation duly organized under a State Charter filed April 16, 1968; and

WHEREAS, article II of the Charters Articles of Incorporation established a joint tribal organization which now represents eleven (12) federally recognized tribes in Michigan these being: Bay Mills Indian Community, Hannahville Indian Community, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa

Indians, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indian, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Potawatomi, and Nottawaseppi Huron Potawatomi; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc., desires to apply for the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), (FY) 2020 Tribal Behavioral Health Grant Program (Short Title: Native Connections) #SM-20-002, The purpose of this program is to prevent suicide and substance misuse, reduce the impact of trauma, and promote mental health among American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth through the age of 24 years; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe supports building the capacity of the federally recognized tribes in Michigan to develop a comprehensive support to prevent suicide and substance misuse, reduce the impact of trauma, and promote mental health among Native Americans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribe joins the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc., as a service provider in the Native Connections program. In furtherance of the role of Native Connections, the Tribe will develop and implement an array of integrated services and supports to prevent suicide and substance misuse, reduce the impact of trauma, and promote mental health among Native Americans. We understand that as a sub-recipient of this grant, we will be eligible to receive funds to support a full-time local program coordinator along with travel and training support. The total available funds through this grant will be \$70,000 per year for each Tribal sub-recipient (for 5 years).

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 November 13, 2019, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Gary DiPiazza, Tribal Council Recorder



Ronald Pete, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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