



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Tribal Council**

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Resolution #20-0415-102

Approving Tribal Government CFO Submission of Tribal Data for CARES Act Funding

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 by Article IV, Section 7(a)(1) and (2) to exercise the inherent powers of the Tribe by establishing laws through the enactment of ordinances and adoption of resolutions to govern the conduct of Tribal Members and others within the Tribe's jurisdiction and to promote, protect and provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized by Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Tribe with political subdivisions or private parties on all matters within the authority of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the executive powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Ogema according to Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema, by and through the CFO and executive staff, administer and manage the tribal budget; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") was signed into law by President Donald Trump on March 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act established the \$150 billion Coronavirus Relief Fund and through the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the CARES Act provides for payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments navigating the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak; and

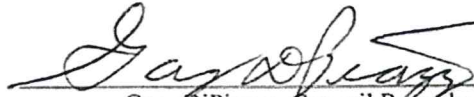
WHEREAS, payments to Tribal Governments are to be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior and Indian Tribes and although that consultation has not yet concluded, certain data is requested of Tribal governments at this time to assist in this determination; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema, by and through the CFO has gathered data for the submission to request CARES Act funding.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves the Tribal Ogema and CFO, Steve Wheelers execution of the tribal submission for CARES act funding request.

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 April 15, 2020 via teleconference, with a quorum being present for such vote.


Gary DiPiazza, Council Recorder



Ron Pete, Council Speaker

cc: Council Records
Tribal Ogema
Unified Legal Department