

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council

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Resolution #20-0624-193

Authorizing Rebecca Liebing to Submit a Letter of Objection and Certification of Confidential Material to National Indian Gaming Commission

- 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) 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 Indian Gaming Commission issued an opinion letter reviewing the Tribe's agreement with Rush Street Interactive MI, LLC; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe submitted an agreement for review understanding it had the opportunity to review the opinion letter prior to publication and object to the inclusion of information that the Tribe has determined to be confidential commercial information subject to withholding under Exemption Four of the Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has identified portions of the letter and requested redactions of information by and through a letter drafted by its Staff Attorney, Rebecca Liebing.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes Rebecca Liebing to submit an objection letter to protect the confidential commercial information of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

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 Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 24, 2020 via teleconference, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Gary DiPiazza, Council Recorder

Ronald Pete, Council Speaker

cc: Council Records Tribal Ogema