



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI 49660

**Resolution #20-1202-346**

*Grant application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED), Division of Energy and Mineral Development (DEMD) for an Energy and Mineral Development Program (EMDP)*

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 Division of Energy and Mineral Development (DEMD), Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) is providing competitive funding to for projects that conduct resource inventories and assessments, feasibility studies, or other pre-development studies necessary to process, use and develop energy and mineral resources; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council deems it necessary to assess the value and feasibility of developing renewable resources, including solar, wind, and biomass, to benefit Tribal members and stakeholders.

WHEREAS, the Tribe supports the submission of the grant proposal for a Renewable Generation and Microgrid Study to explore the availability and economics of solar, wind, and/or biomass generation to achieve Tribal goals related to sovereignty, economic development, sustainability, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is willing to consider developing any potential energy and mineral resource discovered and;

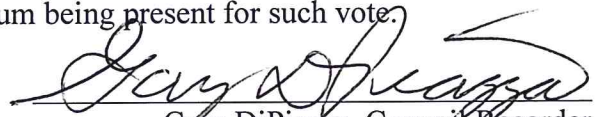
WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to have the EMDP project performed by Woven Energy LLC, a multidisciplinary energy firm dedicated to supporting Tribal energy development and;

WHEREAS, the Tribe will consider public release of information obtained from the EMDP project; of which information does not include any detailed proprietary data or reports to any individual, private company, or government agency without the written consent of the Tribe; information, does, however, refer to that which may be suitable for press releases, or a presentation at a government or private meetings and conferences and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council supports a grant application to the US Division of Energy and Mineral Development (DEMD), Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED), for an Energy and Mineral Development Program (EMDP) grant.

**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 Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 2, 2020, via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
Gary DiPiazza, Council Recorder

  
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