

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 2608 Government Center Drive Manistee, Michigan 49660 (231) 723-8288

## Resolution #20-1216-362

Authorizing the Unified Legal Department to Amend the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Revenue Allocation Plan from 40% to 50% Per Capita Distribution

- WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Ching Ziíbi Daåwaa AniShinaábek (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 PL. 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, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe operates a Gaming Enterprise which generates revenue that supports the operation of Tribal government operations and programs that provide services to Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal Council determined that distributing a portion of net gaming revenue to Tribal members through per capita distributions would allow the Tribe to efficiently provide for the welfare Of all Tribal members: and

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WHEREAS, by Resolution Number 08-0123-20, Tribal Council adopted a Revenue Allocation plan which, under Section 8 of the Plan, allocated 40% of net gaming revenue to individual per capita distributions; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council believes that 50% of net gaming revenue should be allocated to individual per capita distributions.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes - the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Unified Legal Department to prepare the necessary revisions to the Revenue Allocation Plan and file it with the appropriate federal authorities.

## CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 4 AGAINST. 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 16, 2020, via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Council Recorder

Ronald Pete, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest: