



## **Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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### **Resolution #21-0505-122**

*Approving Tribal Ogema's Petition to Board of County Road Commissioners, Manistee, Michigan for Hopkins Road*

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 Tribal Council is vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(c), to purchase, lease, take by gift, take by devise or bequest, or otherwise acquire land, interest in the land, personal property or other assets which may be deemed beneficial to the Little River Band; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is vested with the authority, under Article V, Section 5(8), to manage the economic affairs, enterprises, property (both real and personal) and other interests of the Tribe, consistent with the ordinances and resolutions enacted by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Manistee County Road Commission issued Policy #2, covering the abandonment or relinquishment of county road right-of-ways; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a copy of the petition form that will be used;  
and


WHEREAS, the Little River Casino Resort has been informed by the State of Michigan  
that obtaining control over the portion of Hopkins that bisects Bear Lake Highlands  
Golf Course will greatly increase the likelihood of transfer for a liquor license for  
the property.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band  
of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to take the necessary actions to  
submit and support the petition for abandonment of Hopkins Road.

**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 May 5,  
2021, via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Council Recorder

  
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Ronald Pete, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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Tribal Ogema