



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #21-0728-193

Appointing Delegates and Alternates to the United Tribes of Michigan (UTOM)

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 and Ogema approved Resolution #09-0729-212, which assigned delegates for the membership of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in the United Tribes of Michigan;

WHEREAS, members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians have elected new members to the Tribal Council in the 2021 General Election; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that re-appointing the delegate and alternates for the United Tribes of Michigan is an appropriate action.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby appoints the following persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s), and as such are authorized to represent the Tribe in all meetings or other gatherings of the United Tribes of Michigan, and that such designation shall continue for so long as those delegated individuals shall hold office as Ogema or members of Tribal Council.

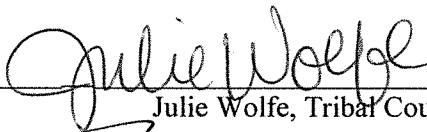
Delegate: Larry Romanelli, Ogema

Alternate: Ron Wittenberg, Tribal Council

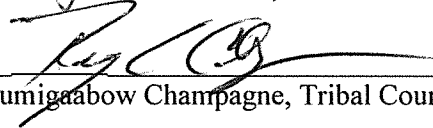
Alternate: Gary DiPiazza, Tribal Council

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on July 28, 2021, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Julie Wolfe, Tribal Council Recorder



Nitumigaabow Champagne, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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