

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #21-1020-251

- Approval of Allocation of Funds for Expenditures and Permission to Use CARES and/or ARP Funding for Expansion of Necessary Health Care Services and Support Equipment
- 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 by Article IV, Section 7(a)(1) and (2) to exercise the inherent powers of the Tribe by establishing laws through the enactment of ordinances and adoption of resolutions to govern the conduct of Tribal Members and others within the Tribe's jurisdiction and to promote, protect and provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Purchasing and Procurement Regulations, #R100-01;AC-01, have been approved by the Tribal Ogema and Tribal Council which directs that authorization expenditures in excess of \$25,000.01 be made by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration for all states, tribes, territories, and

- the District of Columbia pursuant to section 501 (b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and
- WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Tribal Ogema, pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-0320-01, officially declared a state of emergency for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community; and
- WHEREAS, on Tribal Council issued Tribal Council Resolution #20-0320-096 declaring a state of emergency; and
- WHERAS, the federal government has found that Native Americans have experienced more than 1 and a half times the rate of COVID-19 infections, more than triple the rate of hospitalizations and more than double the death rate compared to White Americans; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribe is the recipient of funds under the CARES Act that may be used to create programs to address Tribal Members' need for assistance with necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and
- WHEREAS, The Tribe is the recipient of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds under the American Rescue Plan Act, Pub. L. 117-2 (ARPA) that may be used for necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has sought to expand all COVID based care center for the Tribe's largest population concentrations in Muskegon and Manistee through its Health Centers.
- IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the allocation and expense of funds for the purchase of:
- COVID Research Center/Patient Care Unit 1478 East Ellis Rd Muskegon, MI Unit 1.
- COVID Epidemiology and COVID Administration Units for Patient Care: 1478 E. Ellis Rd Muskegon Units 5 and 6.
- MXR Imaging Solution Co. Lead Lining of Radiology Department for COVID Chest Xray/Patient Treatment Center: Muskegon and Manistee Locations.
- Mercy Medical Equipment Co. COVID Blood Draw/Treatment Analysis Chairs
- COVID Transportation Vehicles to Health Center in Muskegon: Radiology, Pharmacy, Laboratory, and Clinical Care

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COVID Blood Center Equipment and Machinery for Full In-house Lab Analysis in Muskegon and Manistee.

COVID Computer Date Entry Systems/Desktop for the Muskegon Health Center: Ellis and Harvey Centers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the acquisition of these supplies, property and equipment are necessary to enable the Tribe to effectively address the medical and public health needs of the Tribal members during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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 Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 20, 2021, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Julie Wolfe, Tribal Council Recorder

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Attest:

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