



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #22-0323-049

Resolution Of Support to Conduct A Multi-Year Health Assessment Of Gray Wolves In The Eastern Upper Peninsula, Michigan

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 has received a request from the Natural Resources Department for a resolution of support to conduct a multi-year health assessment of gray wolves in the eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, this project will be conducted in conjunction with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Busch Gardens Tampa; and

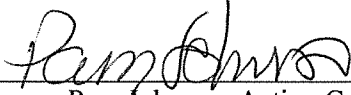
WHEREAS, the cost of the project for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is budgeted to be \$250,000.00 for Five (5) years paid at a rate of \$50,000.00 per year paid for by the Great Lakes Restoration Funding and other external funding; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Natural Resources Department to work in collaboration with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Busch Gardens Tampa to facilitate a Five (5) year assessment of the Gray Wolves in the eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

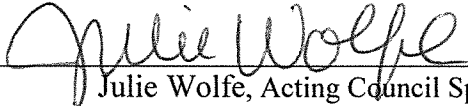
FURTHER IT IS RESOLVED, that the Natural Resources Department may seek additional approval for contracts and agreements that are necessary for the successful completion of the assessment.

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 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 23, 2022, via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Pam Johnson, Acting Council Recorder



Julie Wolfe, Acting Council Speaker

Attest:

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