Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution #22-0803-140

Approval of the Revised Government-to-Government Tribal Transportation Program Agreement between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (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 empowered to negotiate with federal, state, and local governments on behalf of the Tribe, to advise and consult with representatives of the Department of the Interior on all activities of the Department that may affect the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that the improvement of transportation infrastructure is vital to the future economic prosperity, safety and security of Tribal members and others living and working on Tribal lands; and

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that establishing a comprehensive Tribal Transportation Program affords the Tribe greater flexibility to prioritize, design, build and maintain roads, bridges, transit facilities and other types of transportation infrastructure serving Tribal lands; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council previously approved Resolution #16-0511-133 approving the Government-to-Government Tribal Transportation Program Agreement under federal highway legislation "Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, on May 11, 2016; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been presented with a revised Government-to-Government Tribal Transportation Program Agreement, which has been amended in accordance with the new federal highway legislation "Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021 (STRA-21), enacted in November 2021; and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the revised 2022 Tribal Transportation Program Agreement, and authorizes the Tribal Ogema to sign all Referenced Funding Agreements (RFAs) and amendments, and all Retained Services Agreements (RSAs) and addendums for the life of the current authorization bill, Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021 (STRA-21), between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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 August 3, 2022, 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

Shannon Crampton, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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