



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Tribal Council
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Resolution #22-1109-202

Resolution Authorizing Little River Bands of Ottawa Indians to amend the Tribal State Tax Agreement

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) of the Constitution to provide for the public health, peace, morals and 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(b), to ratify contracts, including decrees, to be entered into by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received the Amendments to the Tribal State Tax Agreement from the Tax Department; and

WHEREAS, the amendments to the State and Tribal Tax agreement were proposed by another federally recognized tribe of Michigan and accepted by the state of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the language provides better opportunity for Tribal members across the state of Michigan to receive tax exempt benefits; and

WHEREAS, the amendments to the agreement has been reviewed by the Unified Legal Department; and


NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, through legal counsel, to be as signatory of the amendments to the Tribal State Tax Agreement as amended and incorporated into this resolution.

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 an Emergency Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 9, 2022, via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Ron Wittenberg, Council Recorder



Shannon Crampton, Council Speaker

cc: Council Records
Tribal Ogema
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