



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, MI 49660

Resolution #22-1109-204

*Authorizing Unrestricting of ARPA Designated Funds for Implementation of the 2022
COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program with Postage and Supplies for the 2022
COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program*

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

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council restricted ARPA funds via Resolution 21-1006-233 requiring Tribal Council approval for the use of ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved of the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance

Program via Resolution 22-1026-195; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council shall unrestrict and allocate 11.5 million of the ARPA restricted-funds to fund the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Members Assistance and Finance Departments did not budget for the cost of supplies and postage for the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program; and


WHEREAS, Tribal Council would like to unrestrict and allocate \$11,694.00 from the ARPA restricted-fund for the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program for supplies and postage for implementation of the program.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the unrestricting of ARPA funds, in the amount of 11.5 million for the funding of the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program and unrestricting funds for the Members Assistance and Finance Departments to purchase from ARPA funds supplies and postage projected to cost \$11,694 for a total of \$11,511,694.00.



IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT any funds that are not used by the end of the program, December 30, 2023, to implement 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program will return to the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government in the restricted ARPA funds.

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 November 9, 2022, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Ron Wittenberg, Tribal Council Recorder

Shannon Crampton, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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