



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
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Resolution # 23-0301-036

Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior – Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2023-16 in the amount of \$946,184.80

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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and


WHEREAS, the Tribe is authorized to contract for federal funds under the authority of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638, as amended) and to implement and administer services for its members; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior will require a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2023;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves acceptance of the 2021 Bureau of Indian Affairs Self-Governance Funds in the amount of \$946,184.80 and directs the Accounting Department to post prior period adjustments to self-governance funds for Fiscal Year 2021 and Fiscal Year 2022 in order to reimburse General Fund for tribal support and to reimburse indirect cost funds for costs incurred that were not reimbursed because the tribe did not receive 2021 funds from BIA in a timely manner. This directive is made after consulting BIA, DGN the tribal audit firm, and getting a legal opinion from the Executive Legal Department.

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 a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 1, 2023, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.


Shannon Crampton, Council Speaker



Ron Wittenberg, Council Recorder

Attest:

Presentation of Resolution for Budget Modification to Tribal Ogema:


Pursuant to Article V, Section 5(a)(6) and Section 5(c) of the Tribal Constitution, the foregoing Resolution # 23-0301- 036, modifying the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2023 as set forth in Resolution #22-1221-221 has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.

Date delivered to Tribal Ogema: _____

Signature of Council Recorder: 

Action by the Tribal Ogema: ☒ Approved ☐ Disapproved (attach comments)

Date: 3-1-2023

Signature of Ogema: 

Distribution: Council Records
Tribal Ogema
Accounting Department