

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## **Resolution #25-0514-108**

Approval of Budget Modification and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-20 in the amount of \$346,883, moving funds from Deferred Revenue to fund four new positions within BIA Inland Admin (RPI)

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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, in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.05(a) of the Budget and Appropriations Act of 2013, Ordinance #13-100-04, the Tribal Council must approve modifications to a line item within a department, fund or program budget and modifications in excess of 10% of the total original program budget.

WHEREAS, a budget modification is needed to move \$346,883 from Deferred Revenue to fund four new positions, supplies and uniforms for:

Forest Ecologist
Forest Technician
Wildlife Biologist
Inland Fisheries Technician

WHEREAS, the CFO has issued a Funds Availability Certification #2025-007 in the amount of \$346,883; and

WHEREAS, the budget modification of these funds requires a modification of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves a modification to the Operating Budget for the Tribal Government for Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$346,883 within Fund 4068 – BIA Inland Adm from Deferred Revenue (#2350) to the following:

5000	Salaries	\$2	213,253
5100	Payroll Taxes	\$	17,593
5110	Workers' Comp	\$	6,398
5120	Retirement Plan	\$	6,398
5130	Employee Insurance	\$	68,241
5602	Supplies	\$	20,000
5803	Uniforms	\$	15,000
Total		\$3	346,883

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 4 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 2 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 14, 2025, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Gary DiPiazza, Tribal Council Pro Temp Recorder Pam Johnson, Acting Tribal Council Speaker

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 #25-0514-108, modifying the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 as set forth in the 2025 Budget submitted and signed by the Tribal Ogema on December 13, 2024, has been presented to the Tribal Ogema by the Tribal Council Recorder for his/her approval.