



## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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### Resolution #26-0121-003

*Resolution Approving Little River Band of Ottawa Indians to sign on to the Tribal Amicus Brief in Support of Michigan in Coinbase's Lawsuit*

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, Coinbase Financial Markets offers sports betting contracts in direct violation of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act ("IGRA") and Michigan's tribal-state regulatory structure governing sports betting.

WHEREAS, Coinbase sued the Attorney General of Michigan to stop state regulators from classifying its new "prediction markets" as illegal gambling, arguing these event contracts fall under the federal Commodity Futures Trading Commission's ("CFTC") jurisdiction, not state gaming laws.

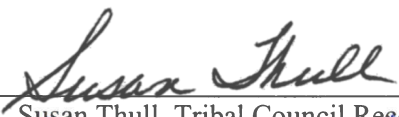
WHEREAS, the Michigan Tribes have proposed a tribal amicus brief in the case, supporting Michigan in arguing that Coinbase's events contracts are illegal sports betting in the state of Michigan and violate IGRA and state gaming laws.

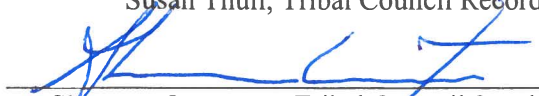
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports the Michigan Tribes and the state of Michigan in this litigation and wants to show its support by signing onto the tribal amicus brief due January 23, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council approves of the tribal amicus brief and requests that the Ogema officially document the Tribe's willingness to participate in the tribal amicus brief supporting the state of Michigan and Michigan Tribes.

**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 January 21, 2026, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Susan Thull, Tribal Council Recorder

  
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Shannon Crampton, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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