



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Tribal Council**

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Resolution #26-0701-099

Appointment of Gary Pitchlynn Outside Counsel to Case No. 26-117-GC

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 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 legislative powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Council according to Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized by Article IV, Section 7(a)(1) and (2) to exercise the inherent powers of the Tribe by establishing laws through the enactment of ordinances and adoption of resolutions to govern the conduct of Tribal Members and others within the Tribe's jurisdiction and to promote, protect and provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2026, the Tribal Council was served with a court summons from Little River Holdings in Case No. 26-117-GC; and

WHEREAS, Little River Holdings is represented by outside counsel John Peebles; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes it will be best represented by outside counsel, in particular, Gary Pitchlynn; and

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes Gary Pitchlynn, of Pitchlynn Law, PLLC, to represent the Council in Case No. 26-117-GC.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 2 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held July 1, 2026, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan and via ZOOM, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Allen Metzger, Council Recorder



Shannon Crampton, Tribal Council Speaker

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