



Resolution No. #95-0924-01

WHEREAS, the Tribe's status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, 108 Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C. §1300k et seq.) (hereinafter "Little River Act"; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is entitled to the protections and benefits accorded federally-recognized Indian tribes under federal law, including those under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. §2701 et seq.) (hereinafter "IGRA"), which permits Indian tribes to operate Class III gaming activities on lands held in trust for the Tribe pursuant to a tribal-state compact entered into for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe intends to purchase real property in either Manistee or Mason Counties, Michigan pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Little River Act (25 U.S.C. §1300-4(b)), and petition the Secretary of the Interior (the "Secretary") to take such property in trust for the benefit of the Tribe for gaming and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe does not presently possess sufficient technical expertise and other resources to develop a land acquisition strategy and land use plan relative to the establishment of a Tribal Gaming Enterprise, Tribal Governmental/Community Center, Tribal Housing and other purposes;

Whereas, Manistee County's Planning Department possesses the necessary expertise to assist the Tribe in meeting the above goals; and

WHEREAS, the Manistee County has offered to provide the Tribe assistance, through its Planning Department staff, to meet the above goals pursuant to a consulting agreement between the Tribe and Manistee County; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 (c) and (f) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians ("Tribal Constitution"), is authorized to negotiate with local governments and to manage the economic affairs of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Chairman, pursuant to Article IV, Section 11 (f)(2) of the Tribal Constitution, is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations, in a manner

consistent with the Tribal Constitution;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes Chairman Robert Guenthardt and Vice-Chairperson Kathy Berentsen to execute the consulting contract negotiated between the Tribe and Manistee County which sets forth the terms and conditions under which consulting services are to be provided to the Tribe by the Manistee County Planning Department.

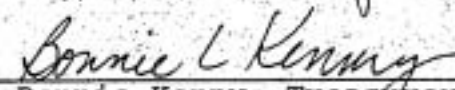
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council authorizes Chairman Robert Guenthardt, and his designees, to represent the Tribe in working with representatives of the Manistee County Planning Commission to direct and monitor the County Planner's performance of the tasks set forth in the consulting contract and to report back to the Tribal Council.

Certificate of Adoption

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its regular meeting held on September 24, 1995 by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

Date: Sept 24, 1995


Anne Avery, Secretary


Bonnie Kenny, Treasurer