

RESOLUTION NO. 95-1102-0Z

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WHEREAS, The United States Congress, in order to promote tribal economic development, tribal self-sufficiency, and strong tribal government, enacted Pub. L. 100-497, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA); and

WHEREAS, The IGRA provides a statutory framework for the establishment of regulatory roles for the states, the federal government, and Indian tribes in tribal casino gaming operations; and

WHEREAS, Gaming has proven to be one avenue through which Indian tribes have successfully pursued economic growth, tribal self-sufficiency, and strong tribal government, resulting in substantial improvement in the quality of life of Michigan's Native American population; and

WHEREAS, The Governor of Michigan has recognized the importance of the IGRA in promoting the goals described above in negotiating Tribal-State Gaming Compacts with seven other federally-recognized Indian Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Section 2710 of the IGRA provides, in part, that any Indian tribe may request the state to enter into negotiations for the purpose of entering into a Tribal-State compact governing the conduct of gaming activities on Indian lands; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the mutual benefits that may arise from concluding gaming compacts that take into account the interests and concerns of all parties, negotiations have taken place pursuant to the IGRA between the State of Michigan and delegates representing the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, On September 25, 1995, a Tribal-State compact, which is substantially identical to the Tribal-State compacts negotiated by seven other Michigan Tribes, was signed by the Governor John Engler and Tribal Chairman Robert Guenthardt; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council finds that the Tribal-State compact negotiated by Chairman Guenthardt on behalf of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians promote the interests of the people of Little River Band, consistent with the policies and provisions of the IGRA;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby concurs in the Tribal-State Gaming Compact signed on September 25, 1995, by Governor Engler and Chairman Robert Guenthardt; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the United States Secretary of the Interior.

Certificate of Adoption

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at a special session of the Tribal Council held on November 1, 1995, by a vote of 6 in favor, O opposed, O abstentions and 1 absent.

Date: 11/12/95

BONNIE L.KENNY, TREASURED AND