

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST FOR BIA ATTORNEY FEES FUNDING AND APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES TO BE PAID WITH SUCH FUNDS

## RESOLUTION NO. 95-1205-03

WHEREAS: The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has prepared the attached application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for funds for the payment of attorneys' fees and expenses which must be incurred to secure the Band's rights to hunt, fish and gather under the Treaty of March 28, 1836; and

WHEREAS: The Band desires to retain the law firm of Ziontz, Chestnut, Varnell, Berley & Slonim as its special counsel and the law firm of Thompson and O'Neil as its local counsel, each for a period of one (1) year, from October 1, 1995, to September 30, 1996, to represent the Band in such BIA-funded work; and

WHEREAS: It is necessary to have separate attorney contracts with the law firms to implement an arrangement for such BIAfunded legal work, and the Band has prepared and attached hereto such attorney contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

- The attached <u>Request for Appropriated Funds to Pay Band</u> <u>Attorneys Fees and Expenses</u> promptly shall be submitted to BIA.
- The Chairman is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Band the attached <u>BIA-Funded Attorney Contract with Ziontz, Chestnut, Varnell, Berley & Slonim</u> and the attached <u>BIA-Funded Attorney Contract with Thompson and O'Neil</u>.

## CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certify that this Resolution was adopted at a (special) meeting of the Tribal Council held in its offices in Manistee, Michigan on 12-05-95, 1995, by a vote of: \_5 in favor, \_O opposed, \_2 abstentions.

APPROVED:

Robert Guendthardt, Chairman

Little River Band of

Ottawa Indians

ATTEST:

Anne Avery, Secretary

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