

## Resolution 96-1013- 02

WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 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. Sec. 1300k et seq.)(hereinafter "Little River Act"); and

WHEREAS, Funding up to \$75,000.00 is available from the U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service through their announcement of Historic Preservation Fund grants to Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations for Fiscal Year 1997; and

WHEREAS, On November 16, 1990, Congress passed P.L. 101-601, known as the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act which requires each federal agency and museum which has possession or control over collections of Native American human remains and associated funerary objects to compile an inventory of such items, consult with tribal governments with a geographical and cultural affiliation to such objects, upon request by such tribal governments, to expeditiously return such remains and associated funerary objects; and

WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Cultural Preservation Committee is working with a grant-writer consultant to apply for funds to conduct a needs assessment of the current listing of human remains, artifacts, and ceremonial objects possessed by museums which have a cultural affiliation with the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, to obtain technical expertise in analyzing the amount of space, types of ceremonies and the number of reburials needed for these remains to be presented in a report to the Tribal Council; to provide training in museum management and curation of artifacts for task force members and other interested individuals; and to contact and share information on these issues with other Tribes faced with dealing with provisions of the Repatriation Act.

AND NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council supports the efforts of the Cultural Preservation Committee to seek funds in an amount up to \$75,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service with a closing date of December 6, 1996, and authorizes submission of the application by such date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall remain in effect until such time as rescinded or superseded by further action of the Tribal Council.

## CERTIFICATION

The Foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians with a quorum being present during a Regular meeting on the 13th day of October, 1996, by a vote of ofor, Oagainst, and Oabstaining.

Robert Guenthardt, Tribal Chairman

Kathy Berentsen, Vice-Chairperson