

RESOLUTION 97-0112- ()て

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, The Tribe and its members are eligible for all services and benefits provided by the federal government to Indians, as reaffirmed by P.L. 103-324, because of their status as enrolled members of a federally recognized tribe; and

WHEREAS, The current Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is authorized by P.L. 103-324 to conduct business on behalf of the Tribe until such time as a new constitution is duly adopted, pursuant to an election conducted by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, The Bemidji Area Indian Health Service (IHS) has identified funds for the provision of sanitation services to at least ten (10) Little River Band member households who have need for new and/or upgraded well and septic systems; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe is authorized to contract with IHS under the authority of P.L. 93-638 (Indian Self-Determination Act, as amended) to administer and implement such services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Tribal Chairman of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is authorized to negotiate and sign a contract, and any amendments, and is also authorized to serve as the Tribal senior official representative for the purposes of the contract.

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 12th day of January, 1997, by a vote of 5 for, O against, and O abstaining.

Robert Guenthardt, Tribal Chairman

Kathy Berentsen, Vice-Chairperson