## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians PO Box 314 Manistee MI 49660-0314

Resolution No. 97-0602-01
ORTING APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is a federally recognized tribe, as reaffirmed under P.L. 103-324, enacted on September 21, 1994; 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 and by-laws are duly adopted, pursuant to an election conducted by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has established a Education Committee, made up of parents of Indian children and other interested persons, to advise the Tribal Council as the needs of its members in the area of education services; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Education Committee has identified an interest and need for an Early Head Start program to serve eligible Tribal member children and other children between the ages of newborn (0) to three(3) years of age; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has facilities suitable for the operation of an Early Head Start program and The Children's Community Center, Inc., a Michigan non-profit corporation providing licensed day care services has agreed to collaborate with the Tribe in administering its Early Head Start program at the Tribe's Health and Human Services Building.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby supports the application for funding prepared by the Education Committee and Education Programs Coordinator, to establish a Tribally-run Early Head Start program.

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## 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 June 2, 1997 by a vote of  $\frac{4}{3}$  in favor,  $\frac{2}{3}$  opposed,  $\frac{1}{3}$  absent, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  abstentions.

Date: 6/2/97

Charles Fisher, Secretary

Attest:

Kathy Berentsen, Vice-Chair