

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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RESOLUTION NO. #98-1108-

Approving Membership in the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

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 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is descended from, and is the political successor to, certain Grand River Ottawa Bands which were signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491), as reaffirmed under P.L. 103-324, enacted on September 21, 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians reserved certain rights to hunt, fish, trap and gather natural resources from the lands and waters in those portions of Michigan which were ceded under the 1836 Treaty. These treaty based rights were confirmed by <u>United States v. Michigan</u>, 471 F.Supp 192 (W.D. Mich. 1979); affirmed, 653 F.2d 277 (6th Cir. 1981); certiorari denied, 454 U.S. 1124, 102 S.Ct. 971 (1981), and reaffirmed by P.L. 103-324 section 5, and are protected by the United States Constitution (Art. 1, §8, cl. 3 and Art. 6, cl. 2).

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has, pursuant to Little River Band Ordinance Number 96-500-01, adopted May 5, 1996, created a Natural Resource Commission and authorized such Commission to enter into cooperative efforts to protect and enhance the natural resources and the environment within the 1836 ceded territory; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society is a national Tribal organization developed to facilitate communications and the exchange of information and management techniques related to tribal self-determined fish and wildlife programs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council supports the goals of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society and supports the efforts of the Tribe's Natural Resource Commission' and Natural Resource Department to become an active participant in the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby supports and approves the Natural Resource Commission's request to join the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society.

Certificate of Adoption

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its Regular Session held in Muskegon, Michigan on November 8, 1998 by a vote of _____ in favor, ____ opposed, ____ absent, and ____ abstentions, a quorum being present for such vote.

Date: 11/8/9 X

Charles Fisher, Council Secretary/Recorder

Attest:

Kathy Berentsen, Council Vice-Chair