



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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RESOLUTION NO. #99-0221-03

AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN ADMINISTRATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS GRANT APPLICATION FOR ONE-YEAR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (\$50,000) TO ASSESS THE STATUS OF THE ODAWA LANGUAGE AND TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ITS PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION

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 members of federally recognized Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians ("Tribal Constitution"), is authorized to regulate the governmental and economic affairs of the Tribe and to ratify agreements and contracts between the Tribe and federal government; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the Tribal Constitution is authorized to provide for the health, safety, morals and welfare of Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema, pursuant to Article V, Section 5 of the Tribal Constitution, is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations, in a manner consistent with the Tribal Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that the preservation of Odawa language and culture is a critical priority for the Tribe; and

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WHEREAS, the current status of the knowledge and use of the Odawa language among Tribal members is unknown and other Indian Health Services and Bureau of Indian Affairs funding available to the Tribe is insufficient to meet the language preservation needs of the Tribal; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Elders and other community representatives, including the Cultural Preservation Committee and Education Committee have recommended and been involved in the planning and development of the proposed project;; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to secure additional funding through the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans to help preserve and promote the Tribe's language (Odawa) and culture.

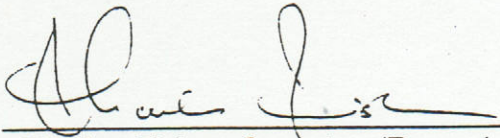
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the submission of the 1999 funding application on or before the February 19, 1999 deadline, to the Administration for Native Americans to assess the current status of the Odawa language within the Tribe and to develop a plan to preserve and promote the Odawa language.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence the Council Speaker, execute all grant and contract documents on behalf of the Tribe.

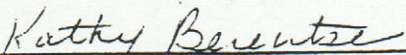
CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

This resolution was adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its Regular Session held on February 21, 1999, by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent, and 0 abstentions. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.

Date: 2/26/99


Charles Fisher, Secretary/Recorder

Attest:


Kathy Berentsen, Councilor