

## **Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

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Resolution No. #99-1221-<u>0</u>7

Authorizing the Tribal Council Speaker, or her Designee, to Execute
Contract with Independent Certified Public Accounting Firm to
Perform Audit of Books and Records of
Little River Casino Resort for Fiscal Year 1999

WHEREAS, the Tribe's 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. §1300k et seq.)(hereinafter "Little River Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has executed a Management Agreement, which authorizes Manistee Gaming, L.L.C. to provide management and operation services to the Tribe for the conduct of such gaming enterprise pursuant; and

WHEREAS, the Management Agreement with Manistee Gaming, L.L.C., was approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission on September 10, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has, pursuant to Resolution No. #99-0325-07, authorized the chartering of Little River Casino Resort, as a distinct instrumentality created, wholly-owned and controlled by the Tribe, for the purpose of operating a Class II and Class III gaming resort on the Tribe's Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Management Agreement with Manistee Gaming, L.L.C. requires the Tribal Council to select an independent public accounting firm to perform an audit of the books and records of the gaming facility on an annual basis, as required by federal regulations and Section 10.01 of the Tribal Gaming Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, 7(b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts with private persons on all matters within the authority of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Controller has received proposals for conducting the required audit from two independent accounting firms and has presented such proposals to the Tribal Council.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Council Speaker, or her designee, to execute a contract for services with either Egghart & Associates or Crowe Chizek to complete the 1999 audit of the books and records of Little River Casino Resort to meet the requirements of federal law and the Tribal Gaming Ordinance.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with FOR, AGAINST, ABSENT, and ABSTAINING, at an Emergency Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Tribal Council called for this purpose on December 21, 1999, in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Charles Fisher, Council Recorder

Janine Szpliet, Councilor

Attest: