

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

**PO Box 246
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RESOLUTION #031702-02

Support of Funding Request from the Administration for Native Americans for the development of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' Integrated Geographic Information Systems Program

- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB") is a federally recognized Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324 "Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Act;"
- WHEREAS** the Native American Programs Act 1974 was enacted as Title VIII of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, PL 88-452 to promote the goal of economic and social self-sufficiency for American Indians;
- WHEREAS** the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans has available grant funds designated for Environmental Regulatory Enhancements stated in Program announcement 93612-2002 Dated June 27,2001;
- WHEREAS** the Administration for Native Americans Governance Goal is to assist tribal governments and local leadership to exercise local control and decision-making over their own resources;
- WHEREAS** the Administration for Native Americans Environmental Regulatory Enhancement Program has designated funds specifically to: 1) develop or enhance the tribal environmental and natural resource regulatory infrastructure; 2) develop the technical and program capacity to carry out a comprehensive tribal environmental and natural resource program; 3) promoting environmental training and education; and 4) developing technical and program capability to monitor compliance and enforcement of tribal regulations, ordinances and laws;
- WHEREAS** a central goal of LTBB is to protect, preserve, and manage Tribal natural resources for the benefit of the LTBB Tribal members through the Natural Resource Programs;
- WHEREAS** the Natural Resource Department's mission statement states: "We will wisely utilize our natural resources in order to promote, honor and respect our traditional, spiritual and physical relationship with the land and waters. We will implement management strategies that protect our resources on, above, below and within the land and waters for the future benefit of our Tribe;"

WHEREAS this proposal requests funding for the development of an Integrated Geographic Information Systems Program essential in developing the Tribe's technical and program environmental and natural resource regulatory capabilities;

WHEREAS the Tribal Council is authorized to enter into agreements and contracts in the best interest of the Tribe;

WHEREAS the Tribe recognizes its obligation to contribute 20% of the total sum of the project toward the project as required by the Administration for Native Americans;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is requesting financial assistance in the amount of \$96,416 through the Administration for Native Americans to address the Tribe's environmental and natural resource regulatory sovereignty responsibilities by developing and implementing the Integrated Geographic Information Systems Program;

FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal Chairman Gerald V. Chingwa, or in his absence the Vice-Chairperson, or in their absence the Tribal Administrator, is authorized to execute, by and on behalf of the Tribe, all documents necessary to apply for, receive and administer such funds, and the Tribal Chairman is authorized to serve as the Tribal senior official representative for the purposes of this contract.

Certification

As Tribal Secretary I certify that this Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on March 17, 2002 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of six (6) in favor, one (1) opposed, zero (0) abstentions, and zero (0) absent as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
George Anthony	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gerald Chingwa	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Frederick Harrington, Jr.	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Beatrice Law	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Rita Shananaquet	_____	<u> x </u>	_____	_____
Janet Shomin	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____

Date: March 17, 2002

Frederick R. Harrington, Jr., Tribal Secretary