

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

RESOLUTION # 090703-02

Requesting Funding From the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for the LTBB Culturally Significant, Threatened and Endangered Species Monitoring and Assessment Project

- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) is a Federally recognized Indian 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 United States of America has recognized a responsibility and special legal relationship to American Indian people;
- WHEREAS** the Department of the Interior has been authorized by the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2002, Public Law 107-63; Title I; Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965; 16 U.S.C. § 4601-4 through 11, in part, to establish or supplement existing landowner incentive programs that provide technical or financial assistance including habitat protection and restoration, to tribal governments for the protection and management of habitat to benefit Federally listed, proposed, or candidate species, or other at-risk species on private lands; and to encourage States to enhance private landowner conservation by providing these benefits to private landowners in an efficient manner;
- WHEREAS** the Secretary of Interior and its respective area agencies act on behalf of the United States of America;
- WHEREAS** in 2001 LTBB developed a Tribal strategic plan;
- WHEREAS** that strategic plan states the following as Natural Resource Global Goal I: *Protect, preserve, and manage the Tribal Natural Resource for the benefit of the LTBB Tribal members through the Natural Resource Programs;*"
- WHEREAS** the strategic plan also states the following as Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Program Goals, "*Goal 2: Research and Protect Threatened and Endangered Species, Goal 3: Monitor and Assess Inland Lakes and Streams,*" and "*Goal 4: Monitor and Assess Culturally Significant Wildlife and Plant Species;*"
- WHEREAS** the Natural Resource Department's mission statement provides that "*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 and implementation of the LTBB Culturally Significant, Threatened and Endangered Species Monitoring and Assessment Project;

WHEREAS community input has been and will be sought in development and fulfillment of the project objectives at regularly scheduled meetings of the Natural Resource Commission;

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is requesting financial assistance in the amount of \$152,679 through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to assist the Tribe in fulfilling its Natural Resource Strategic Plan goals and objectives while addressing the USFWS goal of "Sustainability of Fish and Wildlife Populations" (Goal 1.2) through development and implementation of the LTBB Culturally Significant, Threatened and Endangered Species Monitoring and Assessment Project;

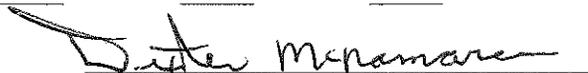
FURTHER RESOLVED that the LTBB Tribal Chairman, or his designee, is authorized to sign and submit the appropriate federal grant documents for this project or any amendment, and is authorized to serve as the Tribal senior official representative for the purposes of this grant.

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 September 7, 2003, at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Regina Bentley	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Frank Ettawageshik	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Frederick Harrington, Jr.	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Beatrice Law	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Dexter McNamara	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Rita Shananaquet	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____

Date: 9/7/03


 Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary