

1 **WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUE 2006-017**

2 **BURIAL PROGRAM FUND**

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6 **SECTION I PURPOSE**

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8 That the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) shall have a Burial Program for  
9 Tribal Citizens to provide assistance toward funeral, cremation, and burial expenses following  
10 the death of a Tribal Citizen to reduce the financial burden of the family of the deceased Tribal  
11 Citizen.

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14 **SECTION II ELIGIBILITY**

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16 A family member, legal guardian or other person who has taken on the responsibility of paying  
17 for the funeral and burial cost of a deceased Tribal Citizen, who was either a citizen with LTBB  
18 at time of death, or less than one year of age and eligible for citizenship with LTBB, may request  
19 Burial Program assistance.

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22 **SECTION III IMPLEMENTATION**

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24 **A.** LTBB shall maintain a separate Burial Program Account administered by the Executive  
25 Branch. Funds for the burial Program will be appropriated annually in the budget process.  
26 **B.** Burial Funds are only provided through direct payment or reimbursement with receipts, as a  
27 result of funeral and burial costs. Therefore, this assistance is only available if receipts are  
28 provided to LTBB. Receipts will be paid in the order received or according to the preferences  
29 indicated by the person handling the affairs of the deceased.

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32 **SECETION IV IMPLEMENTING REGLULATIONS**

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34 The Executive Branch of Government shall adopt regulations to implement this Statue.

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37 **SECTION V SAVINGS CLAUSE**

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39 In the event that any section, subsection or phrase of this Statute is found by a court of  
40 competent jurisdiction to violate the Constitution or laws of the LTBB, such part shall be  
41 considered to stand alone and to be deleted from his Statute, the entirety of the balance of the  
42 Statute to remain in full and binding force and effect so long as the overall intent of the Statute  
43 remains intact.

