

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

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RESOLUTION # 102101-05

SUBMISSION OF CONSTITUTION

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (Little Traverse) is an Indian tribe possessing inherent sovereignty;

WHEREAS Little Traverse entered into numerous treaties with the United States including the Treaty of 1855, 11 Stat. 621, and Treaty of March 28, 1836, 7 Stat. 491, and the United States reaffirmed the status of Little Traverse as a Federally recognized Indian tribe through passage of Public Law 103-324, 25 U.S.C. § 1300k;

WHEREAS under the terms of Public Law 103-324, "... the governing documents in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [enacted Sept. 21, 1994] shall be the interim governing documents for the Bands [Little Traverse]... Until such time as the Bands elect new officials pursuant to paragraph (1), the Bands' governing bodies shall be those governing bodies in place on the date of the enactment of this Act [enacted Sept. 21, 1994], or any new governing bodies selected under the election procedures specified in the respective interim governing documents of the Bands."

WHEREAS in accordance with the terms of Public Law 103-324, the Tribal Council (A.K.A. Board of Directors in interim governing document) listed in the certification of this Resolution comprises the interim governing body of Little Traverse;

WHEREAS as an act of its inherent sovereign power to exercise governmental authority over its territory and members, the Little Traverse Tribal Council prepared the attached Constitution in consultation with Tribal membership through numerous community hearings and

forums;

THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians submits the attached Constitution to the Secretary of the Interior for formal review and to conduct an election in accordance with the Indian Reorganization Act, 25 U.S.C. § 461 *et seq.* and Public Law 103-324.

Certification

As Tribal Chairman and Tribal Secretary, the undersigned 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 October 21, 2001 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>	_____	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Date: October 21, 2001

Gerald Chingwa, Tribal Chairman

Frederick R. Harrington, Jr., Tribal Secretary