

**LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS**  
**7500 Odawa Circle**  
**Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

**CERTIFIED MOTION # 052012-01**

Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI)  
Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians,  
FY2012 GLRI Fish Contaminant Assessment Project

- WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak Nation, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and its citizens are vested with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States the most recent of which being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected legislative body of the Tribe;
- WHEREAS** the Tribe has established a Natural Resources Department (NRD) whose purpose is to provide oversight and regulation of utilization of natural resources within the LTBB's jurisdiction;
- WHEREAS** the Natural Resource Department mission statement is to "*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** the Natural Resource Department has developed a five year Strategic Plan that provides direction and guidance for the Department that includes goals to provide sustainable harvest opportunities for LTBB citizens to protect and conserve the natural resources of the Tribe through resource management, regulation, biological monitoring and research;
- WHEREAS** the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has announced funding availability for Great Lakes Restoration Initiative projects to reduce exposure to toxic substances in the Great Lakes.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes and supports this request for funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency for the FY 2012 BIA GLRI Fish Contaminants Assessment Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the LTBB Tribal Chairman, Vice Chairman, Tribal Administrator, or another designee from the Tribal Chairman is authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for, receive, and administer funds under the grant.

**CERTIFICATION**

As Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Certified Motion was duly approved by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held May 20, 2012 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 0 absent as recorded by this certification:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Winnay Wernigwase	X			
Belinda Bardwell	X			
Bill Denemy	X			
John Keshick	X			
Kevin A. Gasco	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
John Bott	X			
Regina Gasco Bentley	X			
Melvin L. Kiogima	X			

Date: 5/20/12

Melvin L. Kiogima, Legislative Leader

Date: 5-20-12

Regina Gasco Bentley, Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on 5-21-12 by [Signature]

The Executive concurs in this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: 5-31-12

Dexter McNamara, Tribal Chairperson