

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 12179502**

To concur in the application by the five Federally Acknowledged 1836 Treaty Tribes in Michigan to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Litigation Support Funding for inland resource issues.

**WHEREAS** the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians as stated in the preamble to our constitution and bylaws is charged with among other things the perpetuation of our way of life, and the preservation of our cultural heritage, **AND**

**WHEREAS** the 1836 Treaty of Washington was signed by our ancestors and this treaty outlines rights which were reserved by these leaders of our people for future generations, **AND**

**WHEREAS** the rights protected in the treaties signed by our ancestors are vital to the long term interests of our tribal members, **AND**

**WHEREAS** the interests of the members of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians are linked to the interests of the other tribes whose ancestors signed the same treaties as our ancestors, **AND**

**WHEREAS** the research necessary to protect these rights can be achieved through contracts paid for by Litigation Support funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council concurs in the request of Litigation Support funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs by the five Federally Acknowledged 1836 Treaty Tribes of Michigan. This request is to be for sufficient funding to undertake research necessary to support negotiations and litigation to reaffirm and secure treaty rights to inland resources.

**CERTIFICATION**

As Tribal Secretary I certify that this resolution was duly adopted at a meeting of the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians held on December 17, 1995, at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 5 Yes, 0 No, and 0 Abstaining.

Date: 12-17-95

Barry Laughlin, Tribal Secretary