WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, to protect and preserve its culture and heritage, currently operates the Blackbird Museum under a lease agreement with the City of Harbor Springs;

WHEREAS the Tribe’s long term goal is to assume ownership of the Museum and the collections housed therein;

WHEREAS the City’s long term goal is to discontinue its responsibility for the Blackbird Museum;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Tribe supports continuing its operation of the Museum pursuant to a renewed lease agreement with the City of Harbor Springs;

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribe supports the formation of a committee to develop a plan to ultimately transfer ownership of the Museum and the collections housed therein to the Tribe.

Certification

As Tribal Chairman and Tribal Secretary, we 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 July 14, 1996, at which a quorum was present, by a vote of ___ in favor, ___ opposed and ___ abstentions as recorded by this roll call.

George Anthony
Patricia Dyer-Deckrow
Frank Ettawageshik
Barry Laughlin
Shirley Oldman
Janet Shomin
Alice Yellowbank

In Favor: ___
Opposed: ___
Abstained: ___
Absent: ___

Date: 7-14-96

Frank Ettawageshik
Barry Laughlin, Tribal Secretary