RESOLUTION 05189702

SUPPORT OF IHS INDIAN CHILD PROTECTION AND CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROJECT

WHEREAS protection and promotion of the health and well being of tribal children and families are central to the mission of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians;

WHEREAS there is a pressing need for the Tribe to become the first point of contact for families-at-risk, in order to identify potential child abuse victims, to provide prevention and intervention on a first-responder basis, and then to initiate a system of treatment for families who are either in the state protective services system or at-risk for child abuse or family violence;

WHEREAS the Tribe currently has no resources available for these purposes;

WHEREAS the IHS Indian Child Protection and Child Abuse Prevention Project offers a unique opportunity to design a community-based program from the ground up, focusing on traditional values and methods of abuse and violence prevention;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) supports a grant application to the Indian Health Services for the following purposes:

1. To establish a Child Protection Program for LTBB which acts as the first point of contact for families at-risk of child abuse or family violence.
2. To develop systems for tribal-specific child protection services.

3. To provide linkages and share resources with other Michigan tribes through the Inter-Tribal Council umbrella, and to establish procedures and guidelines for referral and treatment of Indian children in the state protective services system.

4. To develop and implement a replicable treatment protocol which focuses on traditional Anishnabe child-rearing practices.

**FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik and Tribal Health Director Arlene Naganashe are authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for such grant and receive funds under such grant.

**Certification**

As Tribal Secretary, the undersigned certifies 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 May 18, 1997, at which a quorum was present, by a vote of _6_ in favor, _0_ opposed and _0_ abstentions as recorded by this roll call.

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Barry Laughlin, Tribal Secretary