WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians has need of an attorney to represent the Tribe and act on its behalf in certain matters pertaining to the Tribe’s Reservation and its boundaries, concerning the lands reserved by any of the seven bands of Odawa which make up the Tribe by any treaty or set aside by any order, concerning all aspects of their treaty rights including litigation, negotiation or other activities in establishing their rights and in securing their full opportunities to exercise such rights, concerning land acquisition and all aspects of re-establishment of the land base of the Tribe, concerning division of the funds derived from the judgment of the Indian Claims Commission in Dockets 18-E, 58 and 364, and concerning any other issues, agreed upon by the Tribe and attorney.

WHEREAS the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians has considered their need for an attorney for the above purposes;

WHEREAS the Tribal Council has evaluated the qualifications of Mariana Shustald of the firm of Leonard, Street and Deinard as special legal counsel to represent the Tribe and act in the Tribe’s behalf in the foregoing matters, and approves the qualification of Mariana Shustald to serve in the capacity of Special counsel for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians hereby hires and designates Mariana Shustald as special legal counsel to represent the Tribe and act on its behalf in all matters described above as specifically instructed, that the Bureau of Indian Affairs is requested to approve the retention of Mariana Shustald of the firm of Leonard, Street and Deinard, and that the Tribal Chairman is authorized to execute a contract between Leonard, Street and Deinard, for the services of Mariana Shustald, and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the term of the contract shall be for two years from January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1998, and shall supersede the contract entered into on December 17, 1996, and shall be effective on the date of its execution. Commencing on the date of execution of this contract and thereafter through December 31, 1997, attorneys shall be compensated for services at the rate of $175.00 per hour for services rendered by shareholders, $140.00 per hour for associates and $100 per hour for services rendered by law clerks or paralegals. For 1998 the rates shall be $210.00 for shareholders, $150.00 per hour for associates and $100.00 for law clerks or paralegals. These rates do include reasonable and necessary expenses. Funds are hereby appropriated to cover the fees and expenses incurred under the contract.

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 June 8, 1997, at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions as recorded by this roll call.

George Anthony
Frank Ettawageshik
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Janet Shomin
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Date: 6-8-97

Barry Laughlin, Tribal Council Secretary