

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

**RESOLUTION # 030704-\_\_**  
**Opposition to Racino Bills**

**WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (“LTBB” or “Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324, as amended;

**WHEREAS** the LTBB Tribal Council is the elected governing body of the Tribe;

**WHEREAS** the United States Congress enacted the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. §§ 2701 *et seq.*) (“IGRA”) a principal goal of Federal Indian policy to promote tribal economic development, tribal self-sufficiency, and strong tribal government;

**WHEREAS** bills are currently pending in the Michigan Legislature that would permit casino style gaming at various horse racetracks in Michigan (“racinos”);

**WHEREAS** racinos would frustrate the stated policy of the IGRA and would threaten the economic future of the Tribe, its members, employees and the surrounding communities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is opposed to State legislation that would authorize, promote or establish racinos within the State of Michigan;

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that LTBB will coordinate its efforts in opposition to racinos with other tribal governments and like minded entities.

**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 March 7, 2004 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of \_\_\_\_ in favor, \_\_\_\_ opposed, \_\_\_\_ abstentions, and \_\_\_\_ absent as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Regina Gasco Bentley	_____	_____	_____	_____
Frank Ettawageshik	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fred Harrington, Jr.	_____	_____	_____	_____
Beatrice Law	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dexter McNamara	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rita Shananaquet	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	_____	_____	_____	_____

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

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Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary