

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

TRIBAL REESOLUTION # 113017- 01

Removal of Enbridge Line 5 from under the Straits of Mackinac

- WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak, known in English as Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (“LTBB”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States the most recent of which being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected Legislative body of the Tribe;
- WHEREAS** Tribal citizens have harvested fish in the Great Lakes for subsistence and commercial purposes since time immemorial. The Tribe’s right of subsistence and commercial fishing, reserved in Article 13 of the 1836 Treaty, is of central cultural, social and economic significance to LTBB and its citizens, and the Tribe strives to protect the quality of the environment for future generations. The Preamble to the Constitution says “We will work together in a constructive, cooperative spirit to preserve and protect our lands, resources and Treaty Rights”;
- WHEREAS** LTBB is a party to the case of *United States v. Michigan*, 2:73-CIV-26 (WD MI) in which the Tribe’s fishing rights in the 1836 Treaty ceded portions of the Great Lakes were upheld, and it is a signatory to the 2000 Consent Decree entered in that case. The Straits of Mackinac lie at the heart of the Great Lakes waters ceded in the 1836 Treaty;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians enacted Tribal Resolution 030515-01 Decommission and Safe Removal of Pipeline Running under the Straits of Mackinac;
- WHEREAS** on November 27, 2017 the State of Michigan’s Governor Snyder signed a new agreement with Enbridge Energy Partners, without consulting LTBB or any other Tribes, that contemplates building a new tunnel under the Straits of Mackinac to house Line 5;

WHEREAS the Tribe opposes any attempts to construct a tunnel under the Straits of Mackinac in lieu of decommissioning Line 5, and believes the measures laid out in the Michigan-Enbridge agreement are grossly inadequate to protect the Great Lakes;

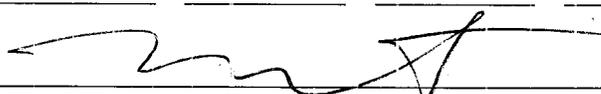
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that to honor the Tribe's duty to protect the natural environment and its Great Lakes Treaty fishing rights, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians reiterates its call to immediately decommission and safely remove the portion of Enbridge's Line 5 running under the Straits of Mackinac

CERTIFICATION

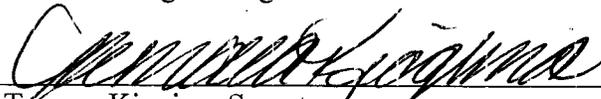
As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Tribal Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on November 30, 2017 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Frank Bernard				X
David Harrington	X			
Fred Harrington	X			
Tamara Kiogima	X			
Dexter McNamara	X			
Emily Proctor	X			
Marcella R. Reyes	X			
Julie Shananaquet	X			
Shanna Wemigwase	X			

Date: 11.30.17


 Fred Harrington Legislative Leader

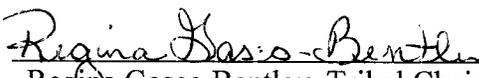
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 Tamara Kiogima Secretary

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Pursuant to Article VII, Section D, Subsection 1 of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution adopted on February 1, 2005, the Executive concurs with this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: 12-1-17


 Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Chairperson

