TRIBAL RESOLUTION  #032819-01

Authorization for Michigan Indian Legal Services, Inc.
To Pursue AmeriCorps Funding on Behalf of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians to Develop a Medical-Legal Partnership

WHEREAS the Waganakising Odawak, known as the 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 or Tribe) 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 being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);

WHEREAS the Tribe’s Constitution directs the Tribal government to promote with special care the health interests of its citizens;

WHEREAS Michigan Indian Legal Services, Inc. (MILS) is a legal aid organization with offices in Traverse City, Michigan that provides qualifying individuals with free legal services;

WHEREAS MILS seeks to operate a medical-legal partnership with LTBB that will serve low income patients, including but not limited to elders and people with disabilities;

WHEREAS the terms and conditions of the partnership between MILS and LTBB will be subject to a memorandum of understanding;

WHEREAS LTBB realizes that collaborative partnerships between legal services programs and healthcare institutions can provide low-income patients with a means to address critical health impacting legal needs;

WHEREAS MILS seeks to submit an application on behalf of LTBB to the Corporation for National and Community Services for an AmeriCorps Indian Tribes Program Grant in an effort to establish medical-legal partnerships and implement those efforts in conjunction with LTBB;

WHEREAS MILS must be identified as a “tribal organization” and must be authorized to act on behalf of and include LTBB in a CNCS grant application for the purpose of conducting the activities and providing the services described in the application;

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WHEREAS both MILS and LTBB have demonstrated effectiveness to administer programs and activities in the delivery of services to Indian families through previous grant awards;

WHEREAS MILS will assume full responsibility for the fiscal integrity of this application, including full responsibility for any matching funds;

WHEREAS MILS will include LTBB in the program development and implementation of this application.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians approves Michigan Indian Legal Services, Inc. as a tribal organization for purposes of applying for this grant and authorizes it to serve as legal applicant for federal funding through the Corporation for National and Community Service, on behalf of and including the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in the proposed grant activities. The Tribal Chairperson or designee is authorized on behalf of LTBB to sign any documents necessary to facilitate submission of the application.
CERTIFICATION

As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council 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 28, 2019 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 2 absent as recorded by this roll call:

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Date: 04.04.19

Fred Harrington, Legislative Leader

Date: 03.28.19

Tamara Kiojima, 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: 4-4-19

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Tribal Chairperson

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Secretary Kiojima