

**WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUTE # 2015-006**  
**AMENDMENT TO WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUTE # 2012-010**  
**CHILD PROTECTION STATUTE**

**SECTION I. REPEAL:**

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**SECTION III. EFFECTIVE DATE**

Effective upon signature of the Executive or 30 days from Tribal Council approval whichever comes first or if the Executive vetoes the Statute, then upon Tribal Council override of the veto.

**CERTIFICATION**

As the Tribal Council Treasurer and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Statute was duly passed by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on March 5, 2015 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Bill A. Denemy	X			
John W. Keshick III	X			
Beatrice A. Law	X			
Michael J. Naganashe	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
Winnay Wemigwase	X			
Julia A. Shananaquet	X			
Marcella R. Reyes	X			

Date: 13-12-15 Marcella R. Reyes  
 Marcella R. Reyes, Treasurer

Date: 03-06-15 Julia A. Shananaquet  
 Julia A. Shananaquet, Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on 3/12/15 by [Signature]

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: 3-19-15 Regina Gasco Bentley  
 Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Chairperson