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

TRIBAL RESOLUTION # 011010-01

Request for Funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians LTBB GLRI Bear River Project

- **WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak Nation, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and its citizens are vested 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 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** the Tribe's treaty delineated reservation area encompasses approximately 336 square miles in Northwestern-Lower Michigan;
- **WHEREAS** the LTBB relies on environmental protection (including wetland protection) for the health of Tribal members and cultural perpetuation and this continues to be threatened by the ever increasing popularity of the area both as a tourist/resort area or relocation for permanent residence within the reservation area;
- WHEREAS LTBB recognizes the need for habitat and wildlife protection and restoration within the Great Lakes Watershed and Coastline, including the Bear River habitat;
- WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Environmental Services Department is eligible for funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Project to address significant Great Lakes ecosystem problems and efforts, including the Restoring Great Lakes Habitats program activity area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes and supports this request for funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects under the Habitat and Wildlife

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Protection and Restoration Focus Area, Restoring Great Lakes Habitats Program Activity to implement the LTBB GLRI Bear River Project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby Jr., or another designee from the Tribal Chairman is authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for, receive, and administer funds under this grant.

CERTIFICATION

As 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 <u>January 10, 2010</u> at which a quorum was present, by a vote of <u>9</u> in favor, <u>0</u> opposed, <u>0</u> abstentions, <u>0</u> absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Belinda Bardwell	X			
Gerald V. Chingwa	Х			
Melvin L. Kiogima	X			
Marvin Mulholland	X			
Rita Shananaquet	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
John Bott	X			
Regina Gasco Bentley	X			
Julie Shananaquet	X	1.		
Date: <u>1-10-10</u>	Jul/e A. Sha	nanaquet, Legis	ative Leader	
Date: <u>1-10-10</u>	Regina Gaso	co Bentley, Secr	etary	
Received by the Executive Office on <u>1-11-10</u> by				

2-3-10 Date:

Ken Harrington, Tribal Chairperson

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