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

## **TRIBAL RESOLUTION #012410-08**

## Request for Tribal Name Proclamation on the 2010 Census Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Proclamation that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Be Denoted as "LTBB" on the 2010 Census

- **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 is listed as a federally recognized Indian Tribe in Volume 70, Number 226 of the Federal Register (p.71195);
- **WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected legislative body of the Tribe;
- **WHEREAS** an accurate census count is vital to our Tribe's well-being by helping planners and grantors determine location and funding of schools, day-care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs;
- **WHEREAS** census data ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U. S. House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts;
- **WHEREAS** the Decennial Census does not require an individual to provide a "Tribal Identification" and an individual's racial identity is solely based on self identification;
- **WHEREAS** it is imperative for decedents, registered and non-registered tribal members to accurately describe their "*enrolled or principal tribe*" in the limited space provided on the Census 2010 survey;

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**WHEREAS** in order to accurately describe their "*enrolled or principal tribe*" in the limited space provided on the Census 2010 survey the name of their tribe must shorten or an acronym be used in the "*enrolled or principal tribe*" fill-in section.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians PROCLAIM the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians for purposes of the 2010 Census form be denoted as the following: "LTBB" in order to ensure a full and accurate count of "Tribal Members" in 2010.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians will inform and promote to its tribal members, citizen, and descendants the accepted acronym or shortened version of the "LTBB".

**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 fulfill the request to the Census Bureau to identify the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians as the "LTBB" acronym and shortened version on the Census 2010 decennial form.

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## 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 24, 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
Marvin Mulholland	Х			
Belinda Bardwell	X			
Melvin L. Kiogima	X			
Gerald V. Chingwa	X			
Rita Shananaquet	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
John Bott	X			
Regina Gasco Bentley	X			
Julie Shananaquet	X	1.		
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Julie A. Shananaquet, Legislative Leader

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Regina Gasco Bentley, 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 in this action of the Tribal Council

Date: 2-3-10

Ken Harrington, Tribal Chairperson

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