

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

TRIBAL RESOLUTION # 021107-08

Support for the Urban Indian Community Assessment Project

WHEREAS the Waganakising Odawak is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 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 according to the 2000 Census, over 60% of Americans identifying themselves as being of American Indian or Alaska Native heritage live in urban areas;

WHEREAS the urban Indian health clinics provide unique and non-duplicable assistance to urban Indians who face extraordinary barriers to accessing mainstream health care;

WHEREAS the Federal government has a trust responsibility through treaty obligations and federal statutes to provide health care to American Indians and Alaska Natives whether living on a reservation or elsewhere (i.e. living in an urban area) as Congress found in the legislation that was passed in 1976 creating the Urban Indian Health Program;

WHEREAS information describing the health status of the urban Indian population is urgently needed to determine priorities and for program planning;

WHEREAS the Bemidji Area Indian Health Services is developing a collaborative research and assessment project between the Bemidji Area Indian Health Service, Great Lakes Tribal Epidemiology Center and the Urban Indian Health Institute Epidemiology Center titled “An Urban Indian Community Assessment Project”;

WHEREAS the Bemidji Area Indian Health Service, Great Lakes Tribal Epidemiology Center and Urban Indian Health Institute Epidemiology Center are submitting the “Urban Indian Community Assessment Project” to the National Indian Health Service Institutional Review Board for review and approval;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council supports the collaboration between Bemidji Area Indian Health Service, Great Lakes Tribal Epidemiology Center and Urban Indian Health Institute Epidemiology Center

for the purpose of seeking approval from the National Indian Health Service Institutional Review Board in order to conduct the Urban Indian Community Assessment Project.

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 February 11, 2006 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 0 absent as recorded by this roll call:

| | In Favor | Opposed | Abstained | Absent |
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| Regina Gasco Bentley | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Fred Harrington, Jr. | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Dexter McNamara | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Mary Roberts | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Rita Shananaquet | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alice Yellowbank | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Shirley Oldman | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Melvin L. Kiogima | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Beatrice A. Law | X | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Date: _____

Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader

Date: _____

Melvin L. Kiogima, Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on _____ by _____

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: _____

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairperson