

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**

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**RESOLUTION #03079904  
BURT LAKE BAND**

**WHEREAS**, representatives of the Cheboygan Band of Ottawa (Odawa) and/or Chippewa Indians were participants in the discussions leading up to the negotiations for and execution of both the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 and the Treaty of Detroit of July 31, 1855, and the members of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians served as leaders and principal spokesmen of the Odawa in those negotiations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cheboygan Band has historically occupied territory nearby or adjacent to the territory occupied by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and the reservation established by the 1855 treaty for the Cheboygan Band was on modern day Burt Lake and was to the east of and very near the reservation established by that treaty for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians; and

**WHEREAS**, through intermarriage and relocation over the past one and a half centuries, some current members of the Little Traverse Bay Bands can trace their heritage to the Cheboygan Band; and

**WHEREAS**, the modern day Burt Lake Band claims to be the political successor of the Cheboygan Band; and

**WHEREAS**, current leadership of the Burt Lake Band has made territorial claims on behalf of the political successor of the Cheboygan Band which may overlap with territorial claims of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and they have claimed historical roles on behalf of the historical Cheboygan Band which were in actuality played by members of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians; and

**WHEREAS**, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians supports federal recognition of the modern day political successor of the Cheboygan Band but must participate in the process of seeking that recognition in order to insure that the territorial, historical, cultural and political claims of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians are not encroached upon in that process.


**NOW THEREFORE**, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians hereby seeks status as an Interested Party in the pending petition for acknowledgment of the Burt Lake Band for the purpose of submitting comments or evidence as appropriate and further requests the Branch of Acknowledgment and Research to keep the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians informed periodically of changes in the status of the petition, in deadlines as they are set, and whatever other general actions may be proposed or taken with respect to the petition of the Burt Lake Band.

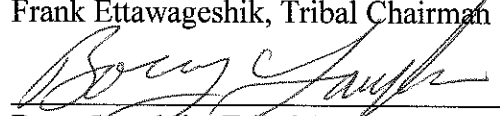
**Certification**

As Tribal Chairman and Tribal Secretary, the undersigned certify that this Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a meeting of the Tribal Council held on March 7, 1999, with a quorum participating, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
George Anthony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frank Ettawageshik	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dorothy Gasco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barry Laughlin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shirley Oldman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rita Shananaquet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alice Yellowbank	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date: 3-21-99

  
 Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

  
 Barry Laughlin, Tribal Secretary