

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

TRIBAL RESOLUTION # 031906-05

To stop conducting business with “Pete’s Pipe and Barrel” as long as they display a “Cigar Store Indian”

- WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance and;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected legislative body of the Tribe and;
- WHEREAS** many Tribal Members feel the “Cigar Store Indian” is a sign of racism and oppression;
- WHEREAS** “Pete’s Pipe and Barrel” displays a “Cigar Store Indian” inside the store during the winter and outside the store during the summer;
- WHEREAS** the display of this symbol is so prominent that it was painted into the building size mural in the Clinton Hotel parking lot on Michigan St. in Petoskey;
- WHEREAS** when confronted about the subject in the mural the artist gracefully stated that he would never had painted this symbol had he know anyone felt it was a symbol of racism and oppression and he immediately immediately painted a flower bed over the “Cigar Store Indian”;
- WHEREAS** both Gijigowi (Victor Kishigo) and Fred Harrington have approached the store owner and expressed concerns that the statue is a symbol of oppression and racism, the owner has taken this under advisement;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected legislative body of the Tribe and;
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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as long as “Pete’s Pipe and Barrel” displays a “Cigar Store Indian” the Tribal Government and its enterprises and any entities owned or managed by the Tribe in whole or in part shall be forbidden from conducting business with “Pete’s Pipe and Barrel”

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Executive is hereby directed to deliver this resolution to the owner of the store and request the statue be removed from view of the public or any customers.

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, the penalty for violation of this resolution shall be cause for termination.

CERTIFICATION

As Tribal Council Secretary, I certify that this 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 March 19, 2006 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
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