## Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

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RESOLUTION #\_ 03-3000-0/
OPPOSITION TO H.R. 1960 AND H.R. 2 WITH RESPECT TO TRIBAL EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZATION THROUGH THE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS a central mission of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, a Federally recognized Indian tribe, is to promote education and the Tribe has created the Tribal Education Department for this purpose;

WHEREAS in the Improving American Schools Act of 1994, Public I.. No. 103-382, Congress authorized appropriations for Tribal Education Department through the U.S. Department of Education;

WHEREAS this appropriations authorization is in recognition of the vital role that Tribal Education Departments play in improving the educational conditions for tribal students;

WHEREAS the bills reauthorizing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act programs, H.R. 1960 and H.R. 2 would eliminate the appropriations authorization;

WHEREAS these eliminations are contrary to the nation-to-nation relationship between Indian tribes and the United States, and are detrimental to tribal students;

WHEREAS the proper treatment of this issue is found in the reauthorization bill S. 2, which retains the appropriations authorization for Tribal Education Department funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians hereby opposes H.R. 1960 and H.R. 2 with respect to the provisions that would eliminate

the authorization for appropriations for Tribal Education Departments through the U.S. Department of Education.

As Tribal Chathe Tribal Council of to	ne Little Traverse Hav	Bands of Odaws	a Indians on	tion was duly adopted by 30, 2000 by a vote of
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