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

RESOLUTION #050204-04

Request for Funding from the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department Fiscal Year 2004 Tribal Wildlife Grant

- **WHEREAS:** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB" or "Tribe") is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324, as amended, which exercises sovereign governmental authority over the people, land, and water within its jurisdiction and administers a wide range of governmental programs;
- **WHEREAS:** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected governing body of the Tribe;
- **WHEREAS:** the Tribe has established a Natural Resources Department and a Natural Resources Commission whose purpose is to provide oversight and regulation of utilization of natural resources within the LTBB's jurisdiction and to provide community input in development and fulfillment of project objectives at regularly scheduled meetings of the Natural Resource Commission;
- **WHEREAS:** the Natural Resource Department mission statement is to "wisely utilize our natural resources in order to promote, honor and respect our traditional, spiritual and physical relationship with the land and waters. We will implement management strategies that protect our resources on, above, below and within the land and waters for the future benefit of our Tribe;"
- **WHEREAS:** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department has developed a Strategic Plan that provides direction and guidance for the Department and is updated annually;
- **WHEREAS:** the Strategic Plan, NRD Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Program 2004 Goal Number 2 is to identify, research and protect LTBB threatened and endangered species and Goal Number 3 is to identify, assess and monitor fish and wildlife communities within the inland lakes, streams and wetlands within the LTBB Reservation;
- **WHEREAS:** the Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service has announced funding availability for development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes and supports this request for funding from the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Fiscal Year 2004 Tribal Wildlife Grants to assist the Tribe in fulfilling its Natural Resources Strategic Plan goals and objectives while addressing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service goal of "Sustainability of Fish and Wildlife Populations."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik or his designee is authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for, receive, and administer funds under the grant.

CERTIFICATION

As Tribal Chairman and Tribal Secretary, we 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 May 2, 2004 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of _____ in favor, _____ opposed, _____ abstentions, and _____ absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Regina Bentley				
Frank Ettawageshik				
Frederick Harrington, Jr.				
Beatrice Law				
Dexter McNamara				
Rita Shananaquet Alice Yellowbank				
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Date:_____

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary