LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
RESOLUTION #051505-03
Tribal Name Clarification

WHEREAS

the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB" or "Tribe") is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe reaffirmed by the Unites 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

in the Tribe's effort at Congressional reaffirmation during the late 1980's and early 1990's, which successfully culminated with the passage of Public Law 103-324, our leaders in consultation with Tribal elders chose to revitalize our traditional name, "Waganakising Odawa(k)." The name "Odawa" comes from our native language, Anishinaabemowin, and derives from our word for trading, "Odawe." Our traditional pronunciation, "Odawa," differs from the word written down by the non-native community, "Ottawa";

WHEREAS

in our own governing documents, we use the word "Odawa" in the name for our Tribe, and the United States, in Public Law 103-324 and published regulations of the Department of the Interior uses the word "Odawa" in the name of our Tribe;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians requests that all governments and agencies use the word "Odawa" (when singular), "Odawak (when plural) when referencing our Tribe, being the people indigenous to the Little Traverse Bay region of northern Michigan.

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 on May 15, 2005 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Frank Ettawageshik	X			
Beatrice Law	X			
Alice Yellowbank	X			
Dexter McNamara	X			
Fred Harrington, Jr.	X			
Rita Shananaquet	X			
Regina Bentley	X			

Date: May 15, 2005

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman	
Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary	