

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**

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**RESOLUTION 07119902**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE GRAND RIVER BANDS OF OTTAWA INDIANS**

**WHEREAS,** the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians (GRB) preexists the formation of the State of Michigan and the United States of America;

**WHEREAS,** GRB and Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians were signatories to many of the same Treaties with the United States, including the Treaty of 1855, 11 Stat. 621, and Treaty of March 28, 1836, 7 Stat. 491,

**WHEREAS,** GRB has been identified as American Indian from historical times until the present;

**WHEREAS,** GRB inhabits a specific area in what is now known as the middle of Michigan's lower peninsula;

**WHEREAS,** GRB has maintained tribal political influence over its members as an autonomous entity throughout history until the present;

WHEREAS, the membership of GRB is composed principally of persons who are not members of any other North American Indian tribe;

WHEREAS, history and justice require that GRB be treated as what it is, an Indian tribe federally recognized by the United States through major land session treaties;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians recognizes the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians as a full fledged tribal governmental entity;

2. The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians fervently supports the efforts of the GRB to obtain federal acknowledgment.

**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 July 11, 1999 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
George Anthony	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Frank Ettawageshik	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Dorothy Gasco	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Barry Laughlin	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Shirley Oldman	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Rita Shananaquet	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____

Date: 7-11-99

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Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

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Barry Laughlin, Tribal Secretary