

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

**RESOLUTION # 072504-05**  
**Request for Funding from the Great Lakes Fisheries Trust**  
**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department**  
**Fiscal Year 2005 Sturgeon Research 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:** in the 2004 Strategic Plan for the NRD, Goal 5, Objective 5.4 for the Great Lakes Fisheries Program is to “monitor adult lake sturgeon in Little Traverse Bay”;

**WHEREAS:** the Great Lakes Fisheries Trust has announced funding availability for developing research and assessment results for the rehabilitation and management of lake sturgeon in Lake Michigan and the Great Lakes and priority funding for projects that determine the current distribution and relative abundance of lake sturgeon in the Lake Michigan basin;

**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 Great Lakes Fisheries Trust for the project entitled “*Seasonal distribution of lake sturgeon in the Little Traverse Bay region of Lake Michigan*” to assist the Tribe in fulfilling its Natural Resources Strategic Plan goals and objectives.

**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 on July 25, 2004 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary