

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

TRIBAL RESOLUTION # 032323- 01

**Approval by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians to Establish Membership
in the Midwest Tribal Energy Resources Association (MTERA)**

WHEREAS the Waganakising Odawak Nation, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and its citizens are vested with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance; and

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB" or "Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States the most recent of which being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621); and

WHEREAS the Tribe is passionate about energy and is committed to promoting a sustainable and secure energy future for Tribes and their neighbors; and

WHEREAS the Tribe seeks to support its mission of honoring and caring for mother Earth and her families, keeping the next seven generations in mind, by providing energy opportunities and resources to Midwest Tribes that advances energy policy and development through collaborative efforts; and

WHEREAS the Tribe recognizes and supports the Midwest Tribal Energy Resources Association (MTERA), a regional organization that empowers Midwest tribes to manage energy resources through collective action; and

WHEREAS the Tribe recognizes and supports MTERA's bylaws, strategic plan, and member-tribe commitments; and

WHEREAS consistent with the MTERA bylaws, the Tribe retains its sovereign immunity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the LTBB Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribe's membership in the Midwest Tribal Energy Resources Association (MTERA) and appoints the Environmental Specialist to the MTERA Board of Directors (person to vote), and the Environmental Services Manager as the Tribe's proxy member. Designated representatives are eligible to serve as a member, on the board of directors, as an officer and/or on committees.

CERTIFICATION

As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Tribal 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 March 23, 2023 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 2 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Fred Kiogima	X			
Tamara Munson				X
William Ortiz	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
Melissa Pamp	X			
James Pontiac	X			
Leroy Shomin	X			
Marcella R. Reyes				X
Emily Proctor	X			

Date: 03/24/2023

Emily Proctor
Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader

Date: 03/24/2023

Marcella R. Reyes
Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on 03-24-2023 by Hunter Johnson

Pursuant to Article VII, Section D, Subsection 1 of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution adopted on February 1, 2005 the Executive concurs in this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: 3-28-2023

Regina Gasco-Bentley
Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Chairperson

Received from the Executive on

03.28.2023

by

Jinda Raker