

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

**CERTIFIED MOTION # 092624-03**

Request for funding from Great Lakes Fisheries Trust  
“Modernizing Vessel Fleet” Project

**WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak, known in English as Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;

**WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (“LTBB”) 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);

**WHEREAS** the Tribe’s treaty delineated reservation area encompasses approximately 337 square miles in the Northwestern Lower Michigan;

**WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected Legislative body of the Tribe;

**WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Executive power is vested in the Tribal Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, who oversee all Tribal Executive Departments;

**WHEREAS** the LTBB Natural Resources Department (NRD) leads in the enforcement, conservation, and management of Tribal natural resources by successfully and responsibly preserving the LTBB's sovereign right to hunt and fish, both on the inland lands and waters as well as commercial and subsistence fishing on the 1836 Great Lakes. The LTBB NRD will wisely utilize our natural resources in order to promote, honor and respect our traditional, spiritual and physical relationship with the land and waters. The LTBB NRD 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 LTBB NRD is committed to researching and assessing fish communities in Michigan lakes;

**WHEREAS** The Great Lakes Fisheries Trust desires to provide funding to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians to purchase a research vessel;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes and supports this grant application to, and acceptance of funds from, Great Lakes Fisheries Trust for the purchase of a research vessel.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the LTBB Tribal Chair, Vice Chair, Direct Services Administrator, or another designee from the Tribal Chair is authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for, receive, and administer funds under the grant.

### CERTIFICATION

Received by the Executive Office on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

The Executive concurs and recommend this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Executive, Tribal Chair/Vice-Chair

Received by the Legislative Office on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, certifies that this Certified Motion was duly approved by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held September 26, 2024 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of \_\_\_ in favor, \_\_\_ opposed, \_\_\_ abstentions, and \_\_\_ absent as recorded by this certification as an official action on behalf of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Marcella R. Reyes, Legislative Leader

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Emily Proctor, Secretary