

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

SPECIAL TRIBUTE FOR LEWIS KELLER

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;

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 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 in accordance with the Tribe's Administrative Procedures Act, WOS 2008-001, a Special Tribute is a document that acknowledges or recognizes a person(s) or organization with gratitude, respect or admiration for an action or accomplishment;

WHEREAS Lewis Keller was a loving husband, father, commercial fisherman, dedicated to his family, friends, continuing traditional and cultural ways of Anishnaabek life. He was a Tribal Commercial fisherman who took pride in a hard day's work and continued to exercise hunting, fishing, and gathering rights. He was an avid farmer and hunter and took great enjoyment in drumming, playing pool, snowmobiling, four wheeling, gardening, learning, and sharing his knowledge. He was a man of action and integrity who spoke his mind and stood his ground. There is not one paragraph, not one page, not one book, not one person who could tell the entire story of all he was or what he meant to everyone he knew and loved him;

WHEREAS after all the many things that Lewis Keller has accomplished, he shall best be known and appreciated for his dedication in continuing to exercise fishing and hunting rights and continuing the Traditional and Cultural way of life.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the undersigned Tribal Leaders do hereby express our heartfelt gratitude for all that Lewis Keller has contributed to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and its Citizens, and we express our appreciation for his years of service and dedication to the Tribe and our Tribal Citizens.

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