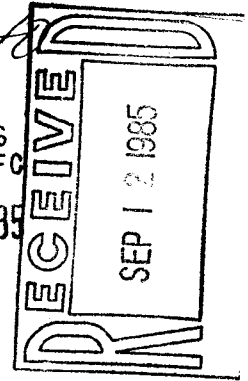


**THE BURT LAKE BAND OF
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RESOLUTION 5-15-85
REQUEST FOR FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF BURT LAKE BAND OF
OTTAWA & CHIPPEWA INDIANS

WHEREAS, the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is the modern day political successor-in-interest to the Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians identified at various times and places by various persons as the "Chaboiganing", "Cheboigan", and "Cheboygan" Band;

WHEREAS, the "Cheboigan" Band entered into the Treaty of 1836, 7 Stat. 491, and the "Cheboygan" Band entered into the Treaty of 1855, 11 Stat. 621, with the United States federal government;

WHEREAS, the Burt Lake Band has been identified from historical times until the present as "American Indians" by the federal government; has had a longstanding relationship with the State of Michigan based upon identification of the Band as Indian; has had repeated dealings with the local government units based upon the Band's Indian identity; has been identified as an Indian entity by courthouse, church, and school records; has been identified as an Indian entity by anthropologists, historians, and other scholars; has been repeatedly identified as an Indian entity in newspapers and books; and has been repeatedly identified as an Indian entity by recognized Indian tribes and national Indian organizations;

WHEREAS, a substantial portion of the Burt Lake Band inhabits a specific area and whereas its members are descendants of the Indian tribe that historically inhabited a specific area;

WHEREAS, the Burt Lake Band has maintained tribal political influence and other authority over its members as an autonomous entity throughout history until the present;

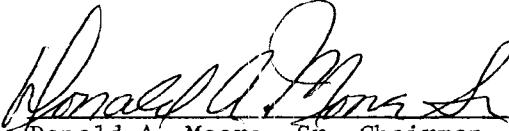
WHEREAS, the membership of the Burt Lake Band is composed principally of persons who are not members of any other North American tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Burt Lake Band is not, nor are its members, the subject of congressional legislation which has expressly terminated or forbidden the Federal relationship.

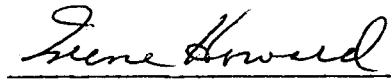
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians request and petition the Federal government for acknowledgement of the Band's existence as an Indian tribe.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

We, the undersigned, as Chairman and Secretary of the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 7 members, of whom 7 members, constitute a quorum, and 150 Band members constitute a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 15th day of May, 1985; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 157 members for, and 0 against, 0 abstaining; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Donald A. Moore, Sr. Chairman
Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and
Chippewa Indians, Inc.



Irene Howard, Secretary
Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and
Chippewa Indians, Inc.