



The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians

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Greetings, I am honored as the Grand Traverse Band Tribal Chairman to welcome your esteemed group to the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa for the XVII International Small Angle Scattering Conference. On behalf of Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, we extend a warm welcome to magnificent northern Michigan.

We are a very proud and resilient nation and we celebrate and exercise our sovereignty and treaty rights daily. We are the Anishinaabek, the people of the Three Fires Confederacy, the Odawa (Ottawa) the Ojibwa (Chippewa) and Bodowadomi (Pottawatomi) people. Since 1980, the Tribe has been very successful in business and is able to provide many forms of assistance to Tribal members and to our neighbors in various capacities.

The Grand Traverse Resort along with the Traverse City area is a vibrant place offering a multitude of adventures to explore. The Tribe operates two casinos, Turtle Creek Casino located near Grand Traverse Resort and Leelanau Sands Casino located on the Grand Traverse Band reservation in Peshawbestown. There are many award winning restaurants where the farm-to-table culture is popular and many of our area's restaurants routinely source local ingredients. There are several wineries, championship golf courses and nature trails that offer some of the best views of the shore-lined landscapes.

We are grateful for our beautiful lands and pristine shorelines and we hope you enjoy it as well.

We wish you a successful conference and enjoyable stay.

Chairman Thurlow "Sam" McClellan