



# MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE

*Executive Branch of Tribal Government*

## NON-REMOVABLE MILLE LACS BANDS OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

### COMMISSIONER'S ORDER 20-01

#### A COMMISSIONER'S ORDER REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR A MASK OR CLOTH FACE COVERING IN GOVERNMENT FACILITIES AND BAND-OWNED BUSINESSES

##### Section 1. Policy

The Commissioner of Human Services finds the following:

- (a) The Chief Executive declared a State of Emergency for the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Bands of Chippewa Indians on March 15, 2020 in response to the worldwide outbreak of the COVID-19 virus;
- (b) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings to slow the spread of the virus;
- (c) Governor Tim Walz issued Emergency Executive Order 20-56 on May 13, 2020 to begin safely reopening Minnesota's economy and strongly recommended Minnesotans to wear masks and face coverings when leaving their homes; and
- (d) It is necessary to continue to protect the health and safety of Mille Lacs Band members and other individuals;

##### Section 2. Requirements

- (a) Any individual who is over the age of two and able to medically tolerate a face covering shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a cloth face covering or medical-grade mask when in Band government facilities and Band-owned businesses within the Band's territorial jurisdiction.
- (b) All government personnel entering government facilities and employees of Band-owned businesses within the Band's territorial jurisdiction shall wear a cloth face covering or medical-grade mask when engaged in face-to-face contact with the public.
- (c) All government personnel who enter Band member residences for the purpose of providing any public services shall wear a cloth face covering or medical-grade mask and disposable gloves.

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