Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Tribal Emergency Response Committee

CANCELLATION OF IN-PERSON FALL AND WINTER EVENTS

Section 1. Findings

(a) The Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has infected more than 41 million people worldwide, to include more than 8.3 million people in the United States and more than 126,000 in Minnesota. 21 positive cases have also been confirmed within the Mille Lacs Band reservation boundaries.

(b) With the flu season approaching and the COVID-19 pandemic having failed to abate, the Mille Lacs Band Tribal Emergency Response Committee (TERC) does not believe that it is in the Band's best interests to host large-scale, in-person events that are normally conducted during the fall and winter seasons.

Section 2. Source of Authority

The undersigned Band Commissioners issue this directive pursuant to 27 MLBSA § 3.

Section 3. Cancellation of In-Person Fall and Winter Events

The MLVC fall feast, all District wide and department Christmas parties, and the State of the Band address are hereby cancelled as in-person events in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Each of these events will still be celebrated, but by alternative means. Either the Band’s government or Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures will notify Band members in the future about how these events are to be conducted.

Dated this 27th day of October, 2020.

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