



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

LEGISLATIVE ORDER 28-20

**A LEGISLATIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES AND
PROCEDURES FOR DRAFTING LEGISLATION**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 2(a), the Mille Lacs Band (“MLB”) Band Assembly possesses the power to “enact laws which promote the general welfare of the people[;]” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 2(g), the MLB Band Assembly possesses the power to “perform all other legislative functions conferred by the provisions of Article VI of the Constitution of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe[;]” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 3, the MLB Executive Branch possesses both “the authority and duty . . . to see that the laws of the Band are faithfully executed[;]” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 16(a), the MLB Band Assembly “shall conduct formal public hearings on any bill which alters, amends or repeals Titles 1, 3, 4 and 5, Chapter 1 of Title 2 and Subchapters I to III of Chapter 3 of [24 MLBSA;]” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 18(e), the MLB Office of the Solicitor General (“OSG”) is authorized to “aid in drafting public bills, resolutions, orders, policies or amendments thereto on the request of the Chief Executive, Speaker of the Assembly or the Chief Justice” and further possesses the responsibility to “certify to the ordinances of Band government and codify said ordinances into Band Statutes[;]” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 27, the MLB Band Assembly “may issue Legislative Orders on any subject matter within the Legislative Branch of government pursuant to authority conferred by this Title and the Constitution of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe[;]” and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that when proposing new legislation, an individual must first consult a District Representative, whereupon, the Representative may request legislative attorneys to assist in evaluating the proposed change and drafting legislation as appropriate; and

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BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that to aid the legislative process, any District Representative may create a subcommittee; such subcommittee may contain Band members and employees who have direct knowledge of the subject matter of the draft legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that when the draft legislation is complete, the Legislative Branch may establish a comment period whereby comments are submitted to the Legislative Branch and made available to the public; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Legislative Branch must post the draft legislation in a conspicuous place, such as, but not limited to, the Band's website, the Government Center, and community centers; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Court of Central Jurisdiction shall be permitted to submit written comments on any proposed legislation insofar as the proposed legislation pertains to court processes and procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that after the comment period ends, legislative legal staff must compile any comments and present them to Band Assembly at a working session; and


BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the District Representatives, taking into consideration the comments, shall make the final decision to act or not act on the draft legislation; and

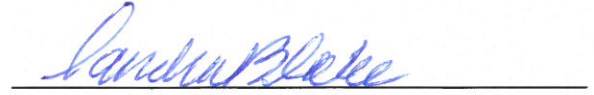
BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY ORDERED, that where there has been an approved ordinance changing legislation, the Legislative Branch must update statutes on the Band website and anywhere else the Band posts the statutes.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present, held on the June 10, 2020, at Nayahshing, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 6 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

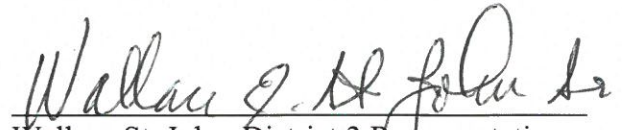
DATED, at Vineland, Minnesota, from within the sovereign territory of the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, this June 10, 2020.

Effective Date: June 10, 2020



Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly


Sandra Blake, District 1 Representative


Marvin Bruneau, District 2 Representative


Wallace St. John, District 3 Representative

APPROVED AS TO FORM, EXECUTION, AND NUMBERING:


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