



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

*Executive Branch of Tribal Government
Office of the Chief Executive*

September 13, 2024

Via E-mail

To: Sheldon Boyd, Secretary-Treasurer

Re: Nominations to GRA Board of Directors

Dear Secretary-Treasurer Boyd:

Under 15 MLBS § 302(b)(1), which authorizes the Chief Executive to nominate two (2) individuals for ratification by the Secretary-Treasurer to serve on the GRA Board of Directors, I hereby nominate Ryan Pendegayosh and Wanetta Thompson.

I believe Ryan would make a great addition to the Gaming Board due to his extensive 30+ years of experience in the gaming industry at Grand Casino Mille Lacs, which speaks to his deep knowledge and dedication. His passion for gaming, combined with a strong commitment to ethical practices and community engagement, makes him an ideal candidate.

I believe Wanetta would be a great addition to the Gaming Board due to her extensive 35+ years of experience in the gaming industry at Grand Casino Mille Lacs and Hinckley in a leadership position. Moreover, her proven ability to ensure regulatory compliance and management skills make her an exceptional candidate.

I am happy to discuss both Ryan's and Wanetta's qualifications further if you have any questions or concerns. Otherwise, please ratify either nominee within ten calendar days of receiving this letter in accordance with 15 MLBS § 302(b)(1).

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Virgil Wind", is written over a horizontal line.

Virgil Wind
Chief Executive

CC:

Carolyn Beaulieu, District I Representative
Wendy Merrill, District II Representative
Harry Davis, District III Representative
Chuck Naughton, Deputy Solicitor General
Michelle Pomerleau, Gaming Regulatory Authority Executive Director