



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

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

Via E-mail

May 7, 2025

Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly
Carolyn Beaulieu, District I Representative
Wendy Merrill, District II Representative
Harry Davis, District III Representative

Re: Act 22-25

Dear Honorable Members of the Band Assembly:

I have signed into law Act 22-25, an Act appropriating money for the Executive Branch and Legislative Branch. But I need to highlight that the Act contains an important error.

The supporting documentation states that the requested appropriation of \$295,556.89 “will be transferred from **elected officials’ long-term savings** and allocated to the budget line 411-101-1400-5 to recoup costs associated with pension payout for the former District 2 Representative.” In contrast, the Act (line 32 of the bill) states that the money will be transferred from net revenue funds.

I respectfully request that Act 22-25 be repealed and replaced to correct the language to state that the funds will be transferred from elected officials’ long-term savings instead of net revenue funds.

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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:

Danielle Smith, Parliamentarian/Clerk of the Band Assembly
Jared Miller, Legislative Counsel
Mel Towle, Commissioner of Finance