### Ordinance 71-08

An Ordinance amending the Elder Needs-Based Supplemental Income Program to increase the maximum program payment from \$400.00 to \$500.00 per month, to be effective retroactive to October 1, 2007.

The District I, District II and District III Representatives jointly introduced the following Bill on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2008. The Bill was vetoed on February 29, 2008, and a Compromise hearing was held on March 6, 2008. A compromise was reached and the Bill was jointly reintroduced on March 6, 2008, by the District I, District II and District III Representatives.

## Preamble

The Band Assembly of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe has determined that to assist the Band's needy elderly members, it is necessary and appropriate to amend the Band's Elder Needs-Based Supplemental Income Program to increase the maximum program payment from \$400.00 to \$500.00 per month, to be effective retroactive to October 1, 2007.

#### Title I

Section 1. In section 1.2 of the Elder Needs-Based Supplemental Income Program, the payment amount of "\$400" shall be replaced by "\$500."

<u>Section 2.</u> In section 5.5 of the Elder Needs-Based Supplemental Income Program, a new paragraph shall be inserted between the existing two paragraphs of that section, to read as follows:

In addition, in early 2008, the maximum monthly program payment was raised from \$400 to \$500, retroactive to October 1, 2007. Mille Lacs Band Members who are or become eligible on October 1, 2007 through the effective date of this Band Assembly Bill, are eligible to receive additional payments with respect to this retroactivity period. Each Band Member shall complete arrangements with the Benefits Director to receive such additional payments no later than June 1, 2008.

#### Title II

To incorporate the foregoing changes, the Band Assembly hereby adopts the attached <u>Exhibit A</u> as the current operative Program Document for the Band's Elder Needs-Based Supplemental Income Program.

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Re-Introduced to the Band Assembly on this Sixth day of March in the year two thousand eight.

Passed by the Band Assembly on this Sixth day of March in the year two thousand eight.

Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

**APPROVED** 

Date: March 7, 2008

Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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