

THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWENDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 20-03-13-23

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly ("Band Assembly") is the duly elected legislative body of the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe ("Band"), a federally recognized Indian tribe; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBS §§ 3(d) and 3(f), the Band Assembly is empowered to "adopt resolutions" and "ratify agreements, contracts, cooperative and reciprocity agreements and memoranda of understanding;" and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBS § 1(m), a "resolution" is defined as "a formal expression of the opinion, will, or intention" of the Band Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, the Band, acting through its Tribal Police Department, seeks to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") with the State of Minnesota, acting through its Commissioner of Public Safety on behalf of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension ("BCA"); and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of the JPA is to make the Band "part of the Minnesota Human Trafficking Investigators Task Force that will use a three-pronged approach to combat human trafficking and the sexual exploitation of children: prevention, education, and enforcement[;]" and
- WHEREAS, the Band's Office of the Solicitor General has reviewed and sanctioned the substantive legal provisions of the JPA.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly does hereby ratify and lend its support to the proposed JPA with the State of Minnesota to combat human trafficking and child sexual exploitation.
- WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly, in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present, held on the 8th day of March, 2023, at Nayahshing, Minnesota, by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly, hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly.

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND



Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of Assembly

Sponsor: District I Representative