



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF  
**OJIBWE INDIANS**

*Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

**RESOLUTION 20-04-37-23**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2023 MINNESOTA STATEWIDE TRIBAL HOMELESSNESS SURVEY**

- 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 to promote the general welfare of the people of the Band and to 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, on August 4, 2015 pursuant to Resolution 16-04-92-15, the Band Assembly supported the Band to participate in a study on homelessness on Minnesota Indian reservations including the Mille Lacs Band reservation; and
- WHEREAS, in that study, 162 people including 50 children with their parents, experienced homelessness on the reservation; and
- WHEREAS, there is current request to participate in the 2023 Reservation Study, which will again be conducted by Wilder Research as a companion to the 2023 statewide study of homeless survey, and is at no cost to the Band to participate; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly will have ownership of the information collected on the Mille Lacs Band reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly agrees to share the information collected with other participating tribal governments for the purposes of creating and releasing a report summarizing homelessness on all participating reservations; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly wishes to use the information collected in current and future efforts to address homelessness on the reservation.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly hereby supports participating in 2023 Reservation Study on homelessness conducted by Wilder Research and authorizes the collection of data; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, the Band Assembly supports aggregation of the information with other participating tribes, and the public release of the aggregate report after input is incorporated from the housing directors and other stakeholders from the participating tribes.

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 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023 at Nayahshing, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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

  
Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**



**Sponsor: District I Representative**