

## THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWENDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## **RESOLUTION 20-03-11-23**

## A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND IMPLEMENTING THE RUM RIVER COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly ("Band Assembly") is the duly-elected legislative body of the 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, on August 17, 2022, the Band Assembly adopted Resolution 20-02-30-22, ratifying the Joint Powers Agreement for the Implementation of the Rum River Comprehensive Water Management Plan ("Joint Powers Agreement"), having found that it is in the best interest of the Band, through its Department of Natural Resources, to become a party to the Rum River Watershed Partnership ("Partnership"); and
- WHEREAS, in becoming a party (or member) to the Partnership created by the Joint Powers Agreement, each member also agreed to adopt and implement the Rum River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan ("One Watershed One Plan" or "Plan"), which is incorporated herein by reference; and
- WHEREAS, the Band's Department of Natural Resources has been notified by the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources that the Plan has been approved according to Minnesota Statutes §§ 103B.101 and 103B.801 and Board Resolution #18-14.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly hereby supports, adopts, and begins implementation of the approved Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the area of the reservation identified within the Plan.
- 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 on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, at Nayahshing, Minnesota, by a vote of FOR, AGAINST, 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 to be affixed to this resolution.

Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly

## OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND

