



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 21-04-59-25

A RESOLUTION REPEALING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION 21-03-32-25, WHICH RATIFIED A SUBAWARD CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MILLE LACS BAND DNR AND THE MINNEAPOLIS FOUNDATION REGARDING THE GREAT LAKES THRIVING COMMUNITIES EPA GRANT

- 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), the Band Assembly has the power to adopt resolutions; 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, pursuant to 3 MLBS § 3(f), the Band Assembly has the authority to ratify agreements, contracts, cooperative and reciprocity agreements, and memoranda of understanding; and
- WHEREAS, The Minneapolis Foundation (“Foundation”) is the Grantee of the EPA Great Lakes Thriving Communities Grant (“Grant”) that provides for the retaining of a climate specialist, selection of a long-range climate model, purchase and distribution of air pollution sensors, air purifier workshops, and a contract with the Minnesota Well Owners Organization for private water-well care and water sampling; and
- WHEREAS, the Foundation selected the Band’s DNR Environmental Programs to be sub-awarded Grant funding and requires an agreement (“Contract”) signed by the Band’s DNR Commissioner before the sub-award can be made to the Band; and
- WHEREAS, Section 17a of the Contract contains a limited waiver of sovereign immunity in which the Band agrees that an action could be brought in Minnesota District Court in Hennepin County; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 2 MLBS § 5(a) and (b), only the Band Assembly, through resolution, may waive the sovereign immunity of the Band; and

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