



## MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

### *Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

RESOLUTION 02-03-28-88

A RESOLUTION FROM THE MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS IN SUPPORT OF THE COLORADO UTE INDIAN WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENT ACT.

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians, fully authorized to act in behalf of its members; and,

WHEREAS, the Ute Mountain Indian Tribe does not have an adequate source of drinking water and only two hundred acres of irrigated land; and,

WHEREAS, under the Winters Doctrine, the Ute Mountain Indian Tribe is entitled to adequate water to fulfill the purposes of the Reservation and to provide for a permanent homeland; and,

WHEREAS, the Ute Mountain Indian Tribe negotiated the Water Rights Settlement Act for the basis of a comprehensive water development plan and has established an agricultural enterprise to plan, develop and operate irrigated lands; and,

WHEREAS, all parties to the Settlement Act have worked diligently and compromised to achieve a settlement that is in the best interest of all parties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians hereby offers its full support to the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act, and urges its adoption by the Congress of the United States at the earliest possible date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the Administrative Policy Board hereunto recommend the signature of the Chief Executive to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Band Assembly for concurrence.

  
Arthur Gahbow, Chief Executive

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 6th day of April, 1988 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST. 0 SILENT.

In concurrence with the action of the Chief Executive, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the hand of the Speaker of Assembly to this resolution.

  
Margie Anderson, Speaker of Assembly

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