

MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 05-02-77-92

- A RESOLUTION GRANTING A LAND EXCHANGE WITH MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS.
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Reservation Band Assembly is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and
- WHEREAS the number one priority of the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is to improve the overall quality of life for the people of the Mille Lacs Reservation; and,
- WHEREAS, tribal land lease is needed by the Minnesota Historical Society for the purpose of building a museum on the Mille Lacs Reservation; and,
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Historical Society wishes to exchange lands on the Mille Lacs Reservation for the purpose of building a new museum; and,
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Minnesota Agency signed a deed to transfer a parcel of Band Trust land (3.7 acres) located in Government Lot Two (2) Section 28, Township forty-three (43), Range Twenty Seven (27) West to Harry Ayer; and,
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Government raised objection through the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe to the transfer of this land; and,
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Minnesota Agency signed a deed to transfer said land to Harry Ayer; and,
- WHEREAS, Harry Ayer assumed the transfer was completed; and,
- WHEREAS, Harry Ayer constructed a museum on part of said lands; and.
- WHEREAS, Harry Ayer donated said land and museum to the Minnesota Historical Society; and.
- WHEREAS, the trust responsibility and law of the United States require consent of the Indian tribe before any trust lands can be transferred to private ownership; and,
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Historical Society would like to resolve this land issue and construct a new museum; and,
- WHEREAS, the Band has worked cooperatively to resolve the land issue; and,
- WHEREAS, with memorandum of understanding between the Minnesota Historical Society and the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe a land exchange has been negotiated; and,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe will accept the following land exchange:

The Mille Lacs Band will provide a quit claim deed to the Minnesota Historical Society for an approximately three acre tract of land adjacent to the museum located in the northern portion of Government Lot 2, Section 28, Township 43 North, Range 27 West. In return, the Society will give the Band the exclusive right to reacquire the same land and any improvements on it at no cost at the expiration of the 50 year period from the date of the initial transfer. Further, the Society will transfer approximately 101 acres of other lands it currently holds on the reservation to the U.S. Government to be held in trust for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. This land is described as follows: Government Lot 1, Section 22; Government Lots 1 and 2, Section 27; Government Lot 1, Section 26; and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, except a 5 acre tract used for cemetery purposes. All parcels are located in Township 43 North, Range 27 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian.

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 <u>23rd</u> day of July, 1992 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of <u>3 FOR, 0 AGAINST</u>, <u>0 SILENT</u>.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the hand of the Speaker of Assembly to be affixed to this resolution.

David Matrious, Speaker of Assembly

In concurrence with the action of the Speaker of Assembly, I, the Chief Executive have set my hand to this resolution.

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND