



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 07-02-30-97

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING TO BE GIVEN FULL CONSIDERATION IN ANY ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION AND APPROPRIATIONS RELATING TO THE PERSONNEL RESPONSIBILITY AND WORK OPPORTUNITY RECONCILIATION ACT (WELFARE REFORM)

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Reservation Band Assembly is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians; a Federally-recognized Indian Tribe, and,
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council consists of Memberships of all Minnesota Tribal Governments and an urban delegate; and,
- WHEREAS, Congress has enacted the Personnel Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996; and,
- WHEREAS, said Act reserved for the President of the United States the power to review state plans prior to their implementation of said Act; and,
- WHEREAS, the Commerce Clause of the Constitution of the United States reserved to Congress the sole authority to deal with Indian tribes; and,
- WHEREAS, the Federal Government has a unique trust responsibility to tribal governments through treaties and federal law; and,
- WHEREAS, the Federal Government is committed to government-to-government relationships with tribal governments; and,
- WHEREAS, the President's Indian policy is committed to trust responsibility and enhancement of government-to-government relationships.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe request the President of the United States to exercise and uphold its Federal trust responsibility and government-to-government relationship through his executive powers by not approving any state plan with Minnesota that does not conform with the full trust responsibility of the United States and full commitment to government-to-government relationships with Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and,

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe be given full consideration in any additional legislation and appropriations related to welfare reform that will assist the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in their effort to aid their members in becoming economically and socially self-sufficient.

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


Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

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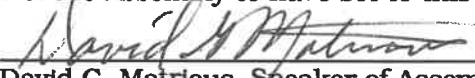
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WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 19 th day of December, 1996 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 0 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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



David G. Matrious, Speaker of Assembly

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