



Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 07-03-56-97

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING CERTAIN PROTOCOLS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS BETWEEN THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE AND THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly elected legislative body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA Section 2(f) and as a legislative function the Mille Lacs Band Assembly has the authority to ratify cooperative agreements with other governments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Mille Lacs Band v. State of Minnesota, No. 3-94-1226 (D. Minn.) and in order to properly manage our natural resources, the sovereign nation of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and the State of Minnesota have agreed to certain natural resource protocols and interim management plans within the 1837 ceded territory; and

WHEREAS, Protocol #1 establishes a Fisheries Committee for the Minnesota 1837 ceded territory whose purpose is to facilitate free and open communication between the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and the State of Minnesota regarding natural resource management; and,

WHEREAS, Protocol #2 establishes a Wildlife and Plant Resource Committee whose purpose is to facilitate free and open communication between the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and the State of Minnesota regarding natural resource management; and,

WHEREAS, Protocol #3 is established to guide the Mille Lacs Band participation in the special deer hunts conducted by the State in the 1837 ceded territory; and,

WHEREAS, Protocol #4 is established to outline obligations and responsibilities of the State and the Bands for the timely and complete exchange of information related to natural resource management and harvest within the 1837 ceded territory and changes in the State or Band regulation and management of natural resource harvesting; and,

WHEREAS, Protocol #5 and Attachment A recognize that the State and the Bands have the responsibility to and will fairly regulate their respective harvest activities within the 1837 ceded territory in a manner consistent with sound conservation practices and the opinions and orders of the federal court in Mille Lacs Band v. State of Minnesota, No. 3-94-1226 (D.Minn); and,

WHEREAS, the Interim Treaty Wildlife Management Plan for the 1837 ceded territory for the years 1997-2001 is to set forth the management intent of the Mille Lacs, Bad River, Lac Courte Oreilles, Fond du Lac, Lac du Flambeau, Mole Lake, Red Cliff and St. Croix Bands for the exercise of certain treaty hunting and trapping rights in the 1837 ceded territory; and

WHEREAS,

the Interim Treaty Fisheries Management Plan for the 1837 ceded territory for the years 1997-2001 is to set forth the management intent for the Mille Lacs, Bad River, Lac Courte Oreilles, Fond du Lac, Lac du Flambeau, Mole Lake, Red Cliff and St. Croix Bands for the exercise of treaty fishing rights in the 1837 ceded territory; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly, pursuant to 3 MLBSA Section 2(f), ratifies and approves;

- Protocol #1 regarding the 1837 ceded territory fisheries committee
- -Protocol #2 regarding the 1837 ceded territory wildlife and plant resources committee
- -Protocol #3 regarding special deer hunts
- -Protocol #4 regarding information exchange procedures
- -Protocol #5 and Attachment A regarding respective resource management responsibilities
- -Interim Treaty Wildlife Management Plan in the 1837 ceded territory for 1997-2001
- -Interim Treaty Fisheries Management Plan in the 1837 ceded territory for 1997-2001.
- 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 27th day of February, 1997 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 3 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent.

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

David Matrious, Speaker of Assembly

INCONCURRENCE, with the action of the Speaker of Assembly, we, the Administrative Policy Board hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Chief Executive to this resolution.

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

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