



**MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE**  
*Executive Branch of Tribal Government*

**Resolution 08-02-22-99**

**A resolution in support of the Mille Lacs Band assuming administrative responsibility for Medical Assistance (MA) and General Assistance Medical Care (GAMC) for Mille Lacs Band members living "on-or-near" the Mille Lacs Reservation; including Mille Lacs, Aitkin, Pine, Kanabec, Crow Wing, Benton and Morrison Counties**

- WHEREAS,** the Mille Lacs band is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** in furtherance of its sovereign status, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe has made every effort to reassume under its authority and responsibility all programs, functions, services and activities related to providing for the health care needs of its members; and,
- WHEREAS,** the State of Minnesota is currently developing waiver proposals to the United States Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) for operation of tribal Medical Assistance programs which could allow the Band government to assume much of the responsibility for providing such services to Band members living on or near the Reservation; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Band Department of Health & Human Services, Health Services Division has developed a plan for assumption of Medical Assistance program responsibilities directly from HCFA; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Band Government has examined the plan for assumption of the Medical Assistance program, and has determined that it is a sound starting point for government to government negotiations between the Band and the United States;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Department of Health And Human Services, Health services division is hereby authorized to initiate negotiations with such other governments as are required to secure such funding as may be available, under such terms as are favorable to the transfer of operation of the Medical Assistance program to the Band for provision of services to Band Members residing on or near the Reservation, **PROVIDED THAT** the Band government be regularly informed of the progress of such negotiations and that in any case the terms and conditions of any agreement are subject to review and approval as provided and required under Band statute

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I, the Chief Executive, hereunto recommend and affix my signature to this Resolution and forward to the Band Assembly for concurrence.


  
Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

**WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY,** that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a

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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 Assembly, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 31st day of October, 1998, at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 2 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 the Assembly to this resolution.

  
Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**