



**THE MILLE LACS BAND OF  
OJIBWE INDIANS**

*Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

**RESOLUTION 09-04-102-01**

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATION OF BIA PROGRAM SERVICE AREA  
FOR PUBLIC LAW 102-477.**

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

WHEREAS, the Minnesota counties of Mille Lacs, Crow Wing, Pine, Aitkin, Morrison and Benton ("Six Counties") contain or are adjacent, to the federally recognized reservation and dependant Indian Communities of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and,

WHEREAS, members of the Mille Lacs Band living in the Six Counties are eligible to vote in the elections and of the Mille Lacs Band government, share a common cultural heritage, and are in every way included in the social, cultural, religious and economic community of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and,

WHEREAS, members of the Mille Lacs Band living in the Six Counties are within the Mille Lacs Contract Health Service Delivery Area; and,

WHEREAS, members of the Mille Lacs Band living in the Six Counties, who are eligible under state and federal law, are served by the Mille Lacs Band's tribally administered TANF program, Native Employment Works Program, Workforce Investment Act Program and employment assistance programming; and,

WHEREAS, certain members of the Mille Lacs Band living in the Six Counties are not eligible for Tribal TANF or other non-tribal assistance programs, but would be eligible for the programs enumerated in 25 CFR Sec. 20.101; and,

WHEREAS, since the Mille Lacs Band is already providing extensive health and human services to members in the Six Counties, it is clear that the Band has in place such administrative structures and capacities as are necessary to provide an adequate level of services to eligible individuals; and,

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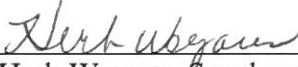
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WHEREAS, due to the extent and nature of services provided by the Band to all members living the Six Counties, not integrating BIA financial assistance programs into the Band's health and human services delivery system would result in administrative inefficiencies inconsistent with the Band's desire to participate in the program available under Pub. L. 102-477.

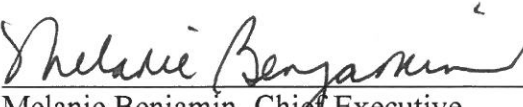
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the government of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe hereby requests services area designation for BIA financial assistance programs, as enumerated and regulated under 25 CFR Part 20, to be the Minnesota counties of Mille Lacs, Pine, Aitkin, Crow Wing, Morrison and Benton.

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 6<sup>th</sup> of August, 2001 at Hinckley, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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

  
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Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

IN CONCURRENCE, with the action of the Speaker of the Assembly, I, set my hand to this resolution.

  
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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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