

THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWENDIANS

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 10-03-43-03

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING BAND PARTICIPATION AS A MEMBER OF *AMICI CURLAE* IN <u>ANDERSON V. EVANS</u>, 314 F.3d 1006 (9th Cir. 2002).

- WHEREAS, pursuant to 2 Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated, Section 1, the Band Assembly of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is and shall be the body referred to in the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Constitution as the Reservation Business Committee and shall exercise all legislative authority of the Reservation Business Committee; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated, Section 2, all executive political authority of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe shall be vested in the Executive Branch of government; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated, Section 3, the Executive Branch of Tribal Government shall have the power to conduct relations with all other governments and their political subdivisions, and 4 Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated, Section 6 specifically authorizes the Chief Executive to exercise such authority; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Government has learned of the case of <u>Anderson v. Evans</u>, which may have implications for tribes which fish, hunt and gather outside of their reservations boundaries, including the Mille Lacs Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band wishes to join the *Amici Curiae* in <u>Anderson v. Evans</u> in the interest of preserving such rights.
- THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the authority in the Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated and the Constitution of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, the Legislative and Executive branches of Mille Lacs Band government hereby approve the Band joining the group identified as *Amici Curiae* in <u>Anderson v. Evans</u>, 314 F.3d. 1006 (9th Cir. 2002).
- 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 18thday of March 2003 at Onamia, Minnesota by a vote of __3_FOR, __0_AGAINST, __0_SILENT.

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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.

Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

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

Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND