

THE MILLE LACS BAND OF

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 11-03-74-05

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE NAY AH SHING FEEDER SCHOOL AT DISTRICT II EAST LAKE

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly elected governing body for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly has established the priority to improve the social and economic conditions and quality of life for the people of the Mille Lacs Reservation in its entirety; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly recognizes that education and opportunities for education for Mille Lacs children are the means to advance the social and economic conditions for the people of the Mille Lacs Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe established the Nay Ah Shing School in 1974 with federal funding from the Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs to provide education programs for Mille Lacs children that are consistent with Mille Lacs traditional and cultural values; and
- the Mille Lacs Band Assembly further recognizes that a significant number of WHEREAS. Mille Lacs children must travel great distances and under seasonally unsafe traveling conditions from the outlying Districts in order to attend Nay Ah Shing School; and
- WHEREAS. the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is committed to providing culturally-appropriate education programs that are more easily accessible to Mille Lacs children by proposing to construct a school in District II as part of the Nay Ah Shing School system; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly has expressed its commitment to constructing the District II Nay Ah Shing School at McGregor by appropriating the sum of \$4 million in tribal funds for construction costs.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly does hereby authorize and approve the Commissioner of Education and Nay Ah Shing Schools to seek federal funding that will supplement the school's operation and maintenance and federal ISEP funding to support the academic programs of the District II Nay Ah Shing Feeder Schools at East Lake and Lake Lena respectively.

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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 assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 29th day of April 2005 at Onamia, Minnesota by a vote of _3 FOR, _0 AGAINST, _0SILENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly.

Herb Weyaus, Speaker of Assembly

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