

THE MILLE LACS BAND OF

OJIBWENDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 11-04-25-06

JOINT CONTINUING RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PREDATORY OFFENDER REGISTRATION FOR AN INTERIM PERIOD

- 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 Chief Executive of the Band is empowered to exercise the executive branch powers of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, 3 MLBSA § 2(a) authorizes the Band Assembly to enact laws which promote the general welfare of the people; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly recognizes that Band members deserve protection from predatory offenders who may reside on the Mille Lacs reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe currently does not have a predatory offender registration law in place; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Court of Appeals held in <u>State v. Jones</u>, 700 N.W. 2d 556 (2005), that the state lacked subject matter jurisdiction to enforce the predatory offender registration law against tribal members living on the reservation; and The <u>Jones</u> case is currently under review with the Minnesota Supreme Court and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is currently in the process of drafting an ordinance requiring predatory offenders living on the reservation to register and provide address notification to the Band's law enforcement authorities; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly supports adopting the Minnesota predatory offender registration requirements for an additional interim period or until the Band Statute is completed, whichever may occur first, for no longer than February 28, 2006.
- NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly hereby adopts the State of Minnesota's predatory offender registration statute (Minn. Stat. §§ 243.166, and 243.167), for an additional interim period or until the Band Assembly adopts a Band predatory offender registration law, for no longer than February 28, 2006.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in legislative council assembly, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 17th of November, 2005 at Isle, Minnesota by a vote of <u>3 FOR</u>, <u>0 AGAINST</u>, <u>0 SILENT</u>.

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