



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government


JOINT RESOLUTION 12-03-61-07

**A JOINT RESOLUTION FORMALIZING THE POSITION OF
THE MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS THAT THE
MCT ENROLLMENT CRITERIA SHOULD REMAIN THE SAME
AT THIS TIME AND SHOULD NOT BE AMENDED**

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians is one (1) of the six (6) Chippewa Bands forming the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe ("MCT"); and
- WHEREAS, the Chief Executive of the Band is empowered to exercise the Executive Branch powers of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, Article III of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Constitution empower the Tribal Executive Committee ("TEC") as the governing body of the MCT; and
- WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Chief Executive are voting members of the TEC; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive acknowledge that discussions have taken place at the TEC level to amend the MCT Enrollment criteria to include all other Indian blood; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive believe that it is in the Band's best interest to continue to upgrade the Band's enrollment records to address mistakes in individual family trees as to blood quantum prior to addressing any type of amendment to the MCT Enrollment criteria; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive further acknowledge that any change at this time would unfavorably impact the Band Members of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Band Assembly and Chief Executive of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians formalize its stance by this Joint Resolution that the MCT Enrollment criteria should remain the same at this time and should not be amended.

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 19th day of April, 2007, at Vineland, 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.



Herb Weyaus, Speaker of Assembly

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



Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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