



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 12-04-128-08

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF AGGREGATE DATA COLLECTED BY THE CORPORATION FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, THE MINNESOTA COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS, WILDER RESEARCH, AND THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES REGARDING HOMELESSNESS ON THE RED LAKE, WHITE EARTH, LEECH LAKE, MILLE LACS, BOIS FORTE, AND FOND DU LAC RESERVATIONS FOR INCLUSION IN A REPORT ON HOMELESSNESS ON MINNESOTA RESERVATIONS.

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 Mille Lacs Band Assembly acting pursuant to 3 MLBSA section 2 has the authority to enact laws which promote the general welfare of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and

HEREAS, the Chief Executive is empowered to exercise the Executive Branch powers of the Band; and

WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive acknowledge that a group from Red Lake, White Earth, Leech Lake, Mille Lacs, Bois Forte, Fond du Lac, the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless, Wilder Research, and the Minnesota Department of Human Services met in 2006 to discuss the feasibility of a survey to better understand homelessness on Minnesota's Indian Reservations; and

WHEREAS, this reservation survey is a companion to the triennial statewide homeless survey that Wilder Research has conducted since 1991; and

WHEREAS, the reservations of Red Lake, White Earth, Leech Lake, Mille Lacs, Bois Forte and Fond du Lac agreed to participate; and

WHEREAS, as a part of the original participation agreement, each Band has ownership of the information collected on their reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless, Wilder Research and the Minnesota Department of Human Services previously gained permission from each participating tribal government to allow their Band's data to be pooled with that of the other Bands that participated in the survey for the purpose of creating one overall report; and

WHEREAS, a draft of this report was prepared by Wilder Research for review by each tribal government; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Minnesota Department of Human Services and Wilder Research are now seeking permission to use the collective data for inclusion in a report on homelessness on Minnesota reservations; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Minnesota Department of Human Services and Wilder Research are also seeking permission to make the report, along with the statewide survey, available to reservations, state government staff, homeless advocates and anyone else the reservation allows to use it in advocating for funding and resources from the state legislature, federal agencies and private foundations; and

WHEREAS, the report would include aggregate data and would not list individual reservations statistics or client level data, although it would identify the individual reservations who released their data; and

WHEREAS, each reservation's government would continue to own the data, even if permission is granted for use in aggregate reporting; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Wilder Research shall be allowed to use the collective data for inclusion in a report on homelessness on Minnesota reservations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this report will be available to reservations, state government staff, homeless advocates and anyone else the reservation allows to use it in advocating for funding and resources from the state legislature, federal agencies and private foundations; and

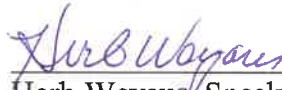
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the report will include aggregate data and will not list any individual reservation's statistics or client level data, although it will identify the individual reservations who released their data.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Band will continue to own the data, even if permission is granted for use in aggregate reporting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this agreement may be rescinded at any time.

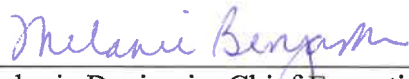
WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 8th day of November, 2007, at Hinckley, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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.



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

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