

## Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## **JOINT RESOLUTION 13-03-60-09**

A JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR MEDIUM AND LARGE WIND PROJECTS FURTHER THE GOALS OF IMPLEMENTING RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ON MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE TRIBAL LANDS

- the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille WHEREAS. Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Band promotes tribal energy sufficiency and fosters employment and economic development on Tribal Lands; and
- the Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program of the Department of Energy WHEREAS, (DOE), is soliciting applications for assessing the feasibility of renewable energy. medium to large scale wind projects, on Tribal lands; and
- WHEREAS. the Band recognizes the significance of long-term protection of air, land and water and Treaty resources for members and the opportunity to take action and leadership by incorporating renewable energy into the Band's energy use portfolio; and
- WHEREAS, the Band has identified one site as a potential site for medium to large wind turbine placement: and
- WHEREAS. the site is described as follows:

Tract # 410 T 54, described as the South ½ of the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of the Northeast ¼ and the South ½ of the North ½ of the southwest ¼ of the southwest \( \frac{1}{4} \) of the Northeast \( \frac{1}{2} \) (S1/2SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4 &S1/2N1/2 SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4) of Section Twenty (29), Township Forty-three North (43N), Range Twenty-seven West (27W), Fourth Principal Meridian, Mille Lacs County, Minnesota, containing approximately 7.5 acres more or less; and

WHEREAS. the DOE requires a resolution in support of the respective site and feasibility study.

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- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly hereby supports and directs the Mille Lacs Band Department of Natural Resources to apply to the Department of Energy for funds to conduct a wind feasibility study, and if the wind studies are positive, the Mille Lacs Band commits to allow a construction of an appropriate size wind turbine.
- 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 of legislators being quorum present held on the 20th of April, at Hinckley, Minnesota by a vote of 2 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, set my hand to this resolution.

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

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