



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 13-03-77-09

A JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORTS OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF MINNESOTA TO DELIVER EQUAL JUSTICE FOR INDIANS IN MINNESOTA THROUGH THE GREATER MINNESOTA RACIAL JUSTICE PROJECT

- 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 as a priority the improvement of the social and economic conditions and quality of life for the people of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly fully embrace the principle that all Americans are entitled to equal justice under the law; and
- WHEREAS, the experiences of many of our Band members as told to us shows that many Indians residing in Minnesota are not receiving equal justice under the law but, in many instances, are the victims of selective and discriminatory law enforcement practices; and
- WHEREAS, these discriminatory practices disrupt the lives of our families, increase unemployment, interrupt the education of youth and damage our Band members' respect for just authority that is an important part of our heritage; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly believes that most Minnesotans are committed to the principle of equal justice and that by working with our allies the Indian community can improve the Minnesota justice system; and
- WHEREAS, through the Greater Minnesota Racial Justice Project, the American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota has made significant gains in improving the equal treatment of Indians residing in and around Beltrami County and, through this work, has developed valuable techniques to help ensure the equal administration of justice that can be developed in the surrounding counties of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe territory.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe commends and declares its support for the American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota's efforts to deliver equal justice for Indians in Minnesota.

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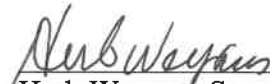
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WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 4th day of June, 2009 at Hinckley, 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.



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.



Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND