

## THE MILLE LACS BAND OF

## Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## **JOINT RESOLUTION 14-01-82-10**

A JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE AND APPROVING THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE'S PARTICIPATION IN A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL

- WHEREAS. the Mille Lacs Reservation Band Assembly is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly is empowered by Band Statue 3 MLBSA § 2 to adopt Resolutions which promote the general welfare of the Mille Lacs Band and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Chief Executive of the Band is empowered to exercise the Executive Branch powers of the Band; and
- WHEREAS. the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is one (1) of the six (6) Ojibwe Bands forming the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe ("MCT"); and
- WHEREAS, in November 2008, the people of the State of Minnesota voted to amend the Minnesota Constitution to increase the sales tax by 3/8 of one percent for 25 years; and
- WHEREAS. in 2009, the Minnesota State Legislature passed an appropriation from the increased taxes for funding to the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council. These funds were allocated to make grants for the preservation of Dakota and Ojibwe Indian languages and to foster educational programs in Dakota and Ojibwe; and
- WHEREAS. on October 28, 2009, the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's Tribal Executive Committee passed Resolution 01-10 supporting a collaborative effort between the Minnesota Ojibwe Tribes for this initiative; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe wholeheartedly supports the language revitalization initiative to promote and enhance the efforts to preserve the Ojibwe language and culture; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive support a grant application to the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council for inclusion in any program and/or projects to promote the Ojibwe language throughout the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Reservation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive hereby support the Language Revitalization initiative and approve a grant application to the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council to participate in any program and/or project that promotes the Ojibwe language throughout the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Reservation.

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2010 at Vineland, 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.

Herb Weyaus, Speaker of Assembly

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

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive