



Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 13-04-18-10

REAFFIRMATION OF GREAT LAKES INDIAN FISH and WILDLIFE COMMISSION'S P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT PARTICIPATION

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band is a member of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC); and
- WHEREAS. the member tribes of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission have reserved hunting, fishing, and gathering rights in the territories ceded to the United States in the treaties of 1836, 1837, 1842, and 1854; and
- WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Commission has been delegated sovereign authority by its member tribes to contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs pursuant to Public Law 93-638, as amended, to administer a program of proper intertribal management of the natural resources as they pertain to these treaty reserved off reservation, ceded territory hunting, fishing and gathering rights; and
- WHEREAS, since 1984, the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, has continuously held a contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for which there have been no significant material audit exceptions in the annual financial audits; and
- WHEREAS. since FY 1990, the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission has continuously held "mature contract" status within the meaning of Section 103 of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act Amendments of 1988; and
- WHEREAS, the member tribes of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission have declared their continued support and participation in the Commissions' budgetary process and receipt of federal funding.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly and Chief Executive hereby:
 - 1. Reaffirm that the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission has been delegated sovereign authority by its member tribes to contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs pursuant to Public Law 93-638, as a mature contractor to administer a program of proper intertribal management of the natural resources as they pertain to these treaty- reserved off- reservation, ceded territory hunting, fishing and gathering rights; and

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- 2. Reaffirm that the member tribes of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission have declared their continued support and participation in the Commissioners' budgetary process and receipt of federal funding; and
- 3. Reaffirm that pursuant to the foundational documents of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (Constitution, Charters, Chippewa Intertribal Agreement), the continued support and participation of its member tribes is ongoing and continuous.
- WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing Joint 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 10th day of December, 2009 at Isle, Minnesota by a vote of <u>3</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> 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 joint resolution.

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive