



# THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## JOINT RESOLUTION 15-02-144-12

### A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BAND OFFICIALS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUSTEE (OST) ON BEHALF OF THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is a duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is empowered by 3 MLBSA § 2(d) to adopt resolutions to promote the general welfare of the people; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive is empowered to exercise all executive political authority for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly acknowledges that certain business activities involving the exchange of confidential information occur between the Band and the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Special Trustee, some of which may include requests for tribal disbursements, requests for access to tribal records, requests for copies of tribal records, to provide tribal investment objectives and information on cash needs of the tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly also acknowledges that only designated Band officials should have access to such confidential information; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain the confidentiality of such information and restrict its access as much as possible, the Band hereby officially authorizes that such exchange of information will only occur if two (2) signatures of designated officials are documented.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following named Band officials are hereby designated to act in their official capacity for the purpose of conducting business involving the confidential exchange of information with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Special Trustee:

<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Facsimile Signature</u> (if used)
Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive		
Curt Kalk, Secretary/Treasurer		
John Gerdener, Commissioner of Finance		

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Special Trustee, may deal with the persons hereby empowered directly or indirectly by the foregoing resolution, as though they were dealing with the Band directly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary/Treasurer of the Band is authorized, empowered and directed to certify, under the seal of the Band, to the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Special Trustee, (a) a true copy of this Joint Resolution; and (b) specimen signatures of each and every person who by this Joint Resolution is empowered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event of any change in the office or powers of persons hereby empowered, the Secretary/Treasurer shall certify such changes to the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of the Special Trustee, in writing in the manner herein above provided, such notification, when received, shall be adequate both to terminate the powers of the persons previously authorized, and to empower the persons thereby substituted; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive, the Secretary/Treasurer and Commissioner of Finance of the Band be, and hereby are, authorized and empowered to countersign items as aforesaid.


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 10th day of July, 2012 at Vineland, 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.



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Curt Kalk, Speaker of the Assembly

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

  
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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**