



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

JOINT RESOLUTION 15-03-206-13 - Confidential

A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISENROLLMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL, WHO DOES NOT MEET THE ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS OF THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Chief Executive is empowered to exercise the Executive Branch powers of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band has reviewed the following information submitted by the MCT Enrollment Office and state vital information; and
- WHEREAS, upon an inquiry from MCT Tribal Operations, the MN Adoptions Department for Human Services informed MCT Tribal Operations that Tenase Mariastayr Tiessen was born on [REDACTED] as Barbara Jean Martin to biological mother, Darlene May Martin; and
- WHEREAS, Biological mother, Darlene Jean Martin, born on [REDACTED], was never enrolled, but was eligible for enrollment into the Fond du Lac Band. Darlene Jean Martin died on [REDACTED] and was not enrolled; and
- WHEREAS, Tenase Mariastayr Tiessen a/k/a Barbara Jean Martin was adopted by George Edward Tiessen and Rosealma Tiessen on March 16, 1961; and
- WHEREAS, George Edward Tiessen is an enrollee of the White Earth Band of Chippewa and Rosealma Tiessen is a non-Indian; and
- WHEREAS, Tenase Mariastayr Tiessen was erroneously enrolled into the Mille Lacs Band by the adoptive parents, George Edward Tiessen and Rosealma Tiessen, on May 22, 1963; and
- WHEREAS, on May 10, 2012, Joint Resolution 15-01-120-12 approved the disenrollment of Tenase Tiessen, but was rescinded by Joint Resolution 15-01-127-12 dated May 22, 2012 until the process outlined in MCT Ordinance No. 9 could be followed; and
- WHEREAS, as required by MCT Ordinance No. 9, a notice letter dated January 14, 2013 Was mailed to Tenase M. Tiessen via certified mail, return receipt requested; and

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The Mille Lacs Band Tribal Court issued an Order on February 20, 2013 dismissing the case because Petitioner Tiessen failed to minimally set forth grounds to convene a hearing.

WHEREAS, based on Ms. Tiessen's failure to appeal the decision of the MLBO Tribal Court to the MCT Three Judge Appeal Panel within fifteen (15) days of the MLBO Tribal Court's decision as outlined in MCT Ordinance No. 9, no further appeal process is necessary.

WHEREAS, based on the above information, Tenase Mariastayr Tiessen a/k/a Barbara Jean Martin should be removed from the tribal rolls of the Mille Lacs Band due to no parent enrolled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly authorizes the disenrollment of Tenase Mariastayr Tiessen due to no parent enrolled as required by the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.

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 23rd day of April, 2013 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 to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Chief Executive for Concurrence.



Curt Kalk, Speaker of the Assembly

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



Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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