



JOINT RESOLUTION 17-02-20-17

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR A FARM TO SCHOOL GRANT

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly ("Band Assembly") is the duly elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe ("Band"), a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 2(d), the Band Assembly is empowered to adopt resolutions to promote the general welfare of the people of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 2, the Chief Executive of the Band is empowered to exercise the Executive Branch powers of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive have established as a priority the improvement of spiritual, physical, mental, social and economic well-being of the people of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize that the Department of Education's mission is to provide learners of all ages access to a variety of highquality educational opportunities and the vision is to enhance pride, culture, and expectations of all Band members; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive fully support the USDA Food and Nutrition Services' goal to assist eligible entities through grants and technical assistance, and in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize that the Band is required to commit in-kind resources in the amount of \$15,000 which is 25% of the total program funding.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Band Assembly and Chief Executive do hereby authorize and approve the submission of a grant proposal to the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service for the Band's Education Department, Farm to School Program.

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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 1st day of December, 2016 at Nayahshing, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, O AGAINST, O SILENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly.

Carolyn Beauleer Carolyn Beaulieu, Speaker of Assembly

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

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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND