

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 18-01-129-18

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MILLE LACS BAND TRIBAL POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE BAND WITH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO PROVIDE OVERTIME REIMBURSEMENT FOR INVESTIGATING ILLICIT ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF HEROIN, UNLAWFUL DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION OPIOIDS, OR ANY OPIOID RELATED OVERDOSE DEATH

- 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 wellbeing of the people of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension did a study in 2017 that showed that the Indian Tribes in the State of Minnesota were most impacted by the opioid epidemic and secured funding to combat the issue; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize the importance of the Mille Lacs Band Tribal Police and Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension working together to combat illegal activities on the reservation.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Band Assembly and Chief Executive do hereby authorize and approve the Joint Powers Agreement between the Mille Lacs Band and State of Minnesota through its Commissioner of Public Safety on behalf of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension ("BCA") to provide overtime reimbursement to the Mille Lacs Band Tribal Police from the BCA when investigating illicit activities related to the distribution of heroin, or unlawful distribution of prescription opioids with a nexus to Minnesota Indian Country or any opioid related overdose death.

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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 22nd day of March, 2018 at Hinckley, Minnesota by a vote of A FOR, AGAINST, SILENT.

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

Carolyn Beaulieu, Speaker of 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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