

## THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWENDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## **JOINT RESOLUTION 17-04-77-18**

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FY21 GREATER MINNESOTA TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SOLICITATION GRANT PROGRAM

- 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 has the power to adopt resolutions to promote the general welfare of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 MLBSA § 2, the Chief Executive 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 the spiritual, physical, mental, social, and economic wellbeing of the people of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize the need to improve safety in the Band's communities by ensuring opportunities to make pedestrian crossing across Highway 169 safer for adults, children, and those with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize that the Band is required to commit cost sharing monies or in-kind resources in order to remain a highly qualified applicant in the amount of not more than \$70,005.00 which is 20% of the total program funding; and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA") requires that the states agree to operate and maintain facilities constructed with federal transportation funds for the useful life of improvement and not change the use of right of way of property ownership acquired without prior approval from the FHWA; and
- WHEREAS, Transportation Alternatives projects receive federal funding; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation ("MnDOT") has determined that for projects implemented with alternative funds should be applied to the project proposer; and

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- WHEREAS, the Band is the sponsoring agency for the transportation alternatives project identified as MLBO HAWK Pedestrian Crossing Project.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Band Assembly and Chief Executive do hereby authorize and approve the submission of an application, on behalf of the Band's Community Development Department, to the MnDOT for FY21 Greater Minnesota Transportation Alternatives Solicitation Grant Program; and
- BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Band agrees to act as sponsoring agency for a transportation alternatives project identified as MLBO HAWK Pedestrian Crossing Project and has reviewed and approved the project as proposed; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that sponsorship includes a willingness to secure and guarantee the local share costs associated with this project and responsibility for seeing this project through to its completion, with compliance of all applicable laws, rules and regulations; and
- BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED that the sponsoring agency hereby agrees to assume full responsibility for the operation and maintenance of property and facilities related to the aforementioned transportation alternatives project.
- 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 at Minisinaakwaang, Minnesota by a vote of 3 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.

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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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