

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 18-01-83-18

A JOINT RESOLUTION DEFINING THE MILLE LACS BAND RESERVATION ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDACY AS AUTHORIZED IN THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE ELECTION ORDINANCE (REVISED 12/14/17)

- 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 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, together the Chief Executive and Band Assembly form the Joint Session as referenced in 3 MLBSA § 24; and
- WHEREAS, the MCT Election Ordinance (revised 12/14/17) authorizes the Band governing body to define the reservation for purposes of establishing eligibility and certification to an elected position with the Mille Lacs Band as provided in Section 1.3(B) of the MCT Election Ordinance; and
- WHEREAS, Section 1.4(A) of the MCT Election Ordinance also authorizes each Band governing body to divide its reservation area into districts for the purpose of electing members to the positions of Committeeperson on the Band governing body; and
- WHEREAS, the reservation boundaries for District I and part of District II(a) are within the boundaries of the 1855 Treaty; and
- WHEREAS, the reservation boundaries for District II and III are outside the 1855 Mille Lacs Reservation Boundaries and are limited to all Band owned fee, trust, and allotted lands.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band's Governing Body hereby defines the reservation Election Districts for the purposes of complying with the MCT Election Ordinance (revised 12/14/17) as follows:

District I:

District I will include all lands, including fee lands within Township 43 North, Range 27 West; Township 42 North, Range 27 West; Township 42 North, Range 26 West and that part of Township 42 North, Range 25 West that is West of the City Limits of Isle and West of Highway 17 and 27 dividing Township 42 North, Range 25 West.

District II(a):

District II(a) comprises all lands within Township 42 North, Range 25 West that lies within the City Limits of Isle and those lands East of Highway 17 and 27 that divide Township 42 North, Range 25 West.

District II:

District II shall be described as: Within a 25 mile radius, the District II boundaries shall include all lands held in trust by the United States for the Mille Lacs Band, all lands held in trust for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe under the jurisdiction of the Mille Lacs Band, and Individual allotted lands including Band owned fee lands within a 25 mile radius of the East Lake Community Center under the jurisdiction of the Mille Lacs Band.

District III:

District III shall be described as: Within a 25 mile radius, the District III boundaries shall include all lands held in trust by the United States for the Mille Lacs Band, all lands held in trust for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe under the jurisdiction of the Mille Lacs Band, and Individual allotted lands including Band owned fee lands within a 25 mile radius of the Lake Lena Community Center, located in Minnesota, under the jurisdiction of the Mille Lacs Band.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this 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 18th day of January, 2018 at Hinckley, Minnesota by a Vote of 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, Band Assembly authorize the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Chief Executive for concurrence.

Carolyn Beaulieu, Speaker of the Assembly

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

Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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