

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

## **JOINT RESOLUTION 18-03-55-19**

A JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE DELEGATES AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT THE NON-REMOVABLE MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS AT THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly is the duly-elected legislative 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 is empowered to exercise the authority of the Executive Branch of government; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is a constituent Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's Tribal Executive Committee passed a motion on March 15, 2017 calling for a constitutional convention for the purpose of soliciting proposed amendments to the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Executive Committee further directed the Band governing bodies of the constituent Bands to choose delegates to represent their respective Bands at the constitutional convention; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive resolved to delegate the task of choosing delegates to the Office of Government Affairs; and
- WHEREAS, the Office of Government Affairs invited Band members to submit letters of interest in serving as delegates; and
- WHEREAS, the Band members who submitted letters of interest convened on December 13, 2018 and ratified themselves as delegates.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Non-Removable Mille Lacs Bands of Chippewa Indians recognizes the following individuals as comprising the Constitutional Convention Delegates representing Districts I, II, II-A, III, and the Urban Area, as defined by Joint Resolution 18-01-84-18, and alternate delegates tasked with proposing to the Tribal Executive Committee amendments to the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe:

DISTRICT/AREA	DELEGATES
District I	Curtis L. Kalk
	Danielle D. Smith
District II	Thomas L. Benjamin
	Michael W. Davis
District II-A	Michele L. Palomaki
	Todd L. Sam
District III	Maria L. Costello
	Bernadine J. Roberts
Urban Area	Alof A. Olson
	Dawne M. Stewart
Alternates	Debra L. Jones-Northrup

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Constitutional Convention Delegates are an entity independent of the Band government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, unless the Tribal Executive Committee directs otherwise, the Constitutional Convention Delegates will determine the manner to select an alternate delegate to replace a delegate who relinquishes their position. For purposes of documenting possible compensation only, the Delegates will notify the Director of Government Affairs in writing of a vacancy's occurrence and the alternate delegate to fill the vacancy.

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2019 at Aazhoomog, Minnesota by a vote of <u>A</u> FOR, <u>O</u> AGAINST, <u>O</u> SILENT.

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

Sheldon Boyd, 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

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND