



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 19-02-152-20

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING A DONATION FROM THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE FOUNDATION TO THE OJIBWE LANGUAGE PRESERVATION PROJECT

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, the Band has established as a priority the improvement of the social and economic conditions and quality of life for the people of the Band; and

WHEREAS, according to Joint Resolution 14-04-71-11 dated September 27, 2011, Band funds in the former multi-tribal foundation were set aside to form the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Foundation is a wholly owned foundation of the Band; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Foundation funds continue to be invested and managed by the Minnesota Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Band’s contact person with the Minnesota Community Foundation is the Band’s Commissioner of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive and Band Assembly wish to donate Four hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents (\$460,000.00) from the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Foundation to Ojibwe Language Preservation Project; and

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WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and the Chief Executive acknowledge that the aforesaid donation amount is well within the desired six (6%) percent of the average quarterly value of the funds (health, educational, cultural, environmental and economic development purposes) as set forth in Joint Resolution 14-04-71-11 and hereafter require notification of all donation awards to be via Joint Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive and Band Assembly hereby approve a donation in the amount of Four hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents (\$460,000.00) for the benefit of Ojibwe Language Preservation Project and acknowledge that such amount is well within the six (6%) percent of the average quarterly value of the funds; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, as approved in Joint Resolution 14-04-71-11, the Chief Executive and Secretary-Treasurer shall continue to jointly notify the Minnesota Community Foundation via Joint Resolution of any applications approved by the Chief Executive, Secretary-Treasurer and Band Assembly members and direct the Minnesota Community Foundation to make such grants from the Band's funds held for such purpose.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Joint Session in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 31st day of August, 2020 at Nayahshing, MN by a vote of 3 FOR, 2 AGAINST, 0 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 the 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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