



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF  
**OJIBWE INDIANS**  
*Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

**JOINT RESOLUTION 19-01-67-20**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MERRILL LYNCH A  
DIVISION OF BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION AS A  
DEPOSITORY FOR THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE**

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 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 Band has the authority to establish either a Cash Securities Account or a Margin Securities Account with the Investor Credit Line Service hereinafter referred to as the “Securities Account”; and

WHEREAS, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc. name changed to Merrill Lynch a Division of Bank of America Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Merrill Lynch a Division of Bank of America Corporation is referred to as “the Institution.”

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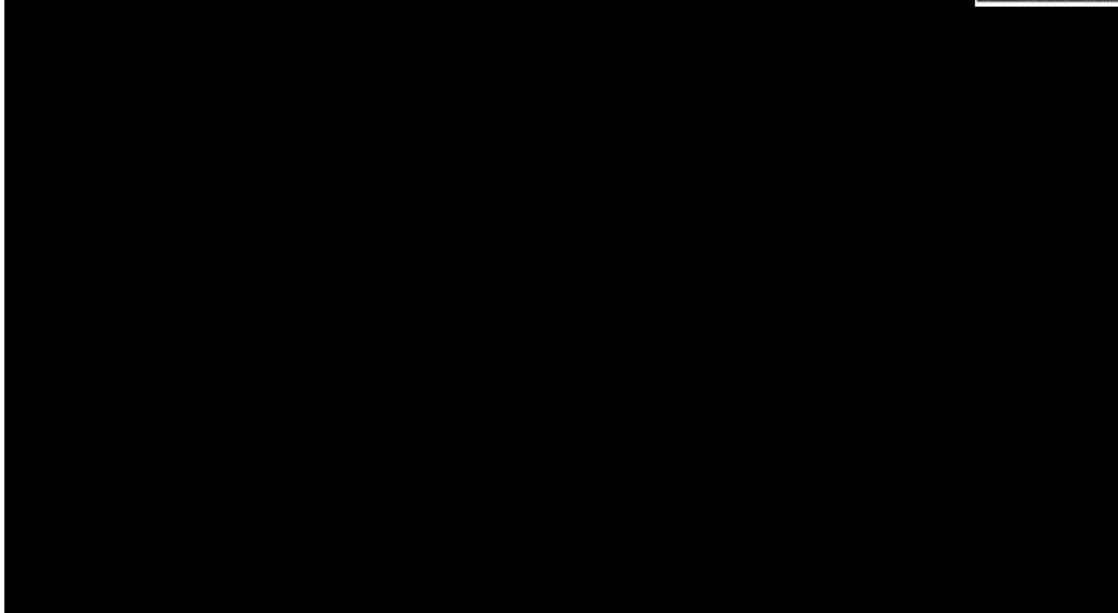
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that “the Institution” is designated as a depository for the following accounts:

Account Name

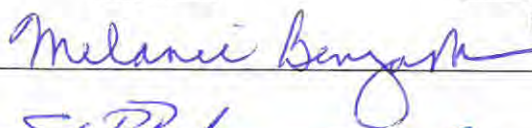




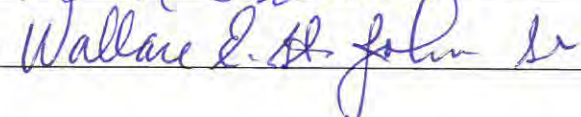
Account Number



- (1) This resolution shall continue to have effect until express written notice of its rescission or modification has been received and recorded by “the Institution”.
- (2) The Chief Executive, Secretary-Treasurer or Commissioner of Finance, so long as they act in a representative capacity as officials of the Band, are authorized to make any and all other contracts, agreements, stipulations and orders which they may deem advisable for the effective exercise of the powers indicated below, from time to time with “the Institution” concerning funds deposited in “the Institution”, or any other business transacted by and between the Band and “the Institution” subject to any restrictions stated below.
- (3) Any and all prior resolutions adopted by the Band and certified to “the Institution” as governing the operation of the Band’s account(s) are in full force and effect, unless supplemented or modified by this authorization.
- (4) The Band agrees to the terms and conditions of any Account agreement, properly opened by any authorized officials of the Band, and authorizes “the Institution” named above, at any time, to charge the Band for all checks, drafts, or other orders, for the payment of money, that are drawn on this Financial Institution regardless of by whom or by what means the facsimile signature(s) may have been affixed as long as they resemble the facsimile signature specimens below and contain the required number of signatures for this purpose; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if indicated, any person listed below (subject to any expressed restrictions) is authorized to:

Exercise all of the powers listed in (1) through (3).

<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Facsimile Signature</u> (If used)
Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive		
Sheldon Boyd, Secretary-Treasurer		
Mel Towle, Commissioner of Finance		
Sandra Blake, District I Representative		
Marvin R. Bruneau, District II Representative		
Wallace St. John Sr., District III Representative		

Secretary-Treasurer / Chief Executive / Commissioner of Finance

(1) Open any deposit or checking account(s) in the name of the Band. Number of authorized signatures required for this purpose: two (2) of the above, one of which must be the Secretary-Treasurer, and a District Representative (selected by the Secretary-Treasurer).

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(2) Transfer, convert, endorse, buy, sell, assign, set over and deliver any and all shares of bonds, debentures, notes, or other securities now or hereafter standing in the name of or owned by the Band or to make, execute and deliver, under the seal of the Band, any and all written instruments of assignment and transfer necessary or proper to effectuate hereby conferred. Securities cannot be used as collateral. Number of authorized signatures required for this purpose: two (2) of the above, one of which must be the Secretary-Treasurer.

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(3) Orders for the payment of money (wire transfers) on deposit with "the Institution". Number of authorized signatures required for this purpose: two (2) of the above, one of which must be the Secretary-Treasurer, and a District Representative (selected by the Secretary-Treasurer); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive and Band Assembly shall receive notification of actions taken covered under the preceding items (1) through (3) above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that “the Institution” may deal with any and all of the persons directly or indirectly as to inquiries and information by the foregoing resolution empowered, as though they were dealing with the Band directly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer of the Band be and hereby is authorized, empowered and directed to certify, under the seal of the Band , to “the Institution: (a) a true copy of this Resolution; (b) specimen signatures of each and every person by this Resolution empowered; and (c) a certificate (which, if required by “the Institution”, shall be supported by an opinion of legal counsel of the Band, or other counsel satisfactory to “the Institution”) that the Band is duly organized and existing, that its statutes empower it to transact the business by this Resolution, and that no limitation has been imposed upon such powers by the laws of the Band or otherwise; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that “the Institution” may rely upon the certified copy of the resolutions, specimen signatures, and certificate, as continuing fully effective unless and until “the Institution” shall receive written notice of change or rescission, and the dispatch or receipt of any other form of notice shall not constitute a waiver of this provision, nor shall the fact that any person hereby empowered ceases to be an officer of the Band or becomes an officer under some other title, in any way affect the powers hereby conferred, but the failure to supply a specimen signature shall not invalidate any transaction where the party authorizing the same has been actually empowered thereto by or in conformity with these resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Investment accounts shall be a Cash Account for the purpose of purchasing, selling, transferring, exchanging and generally dealing in any and all forms of securities and financial instruments of every kind or nature whatsoever. All orders and instructions, written or oral, relating to the Securities Accounts shall be given to “the Institution” by individuals designated under the heading “Authorized Individuals,” and the individuals are hereby authorized and directed to purchase and/or sell and/or deal in any and all securities and financial instruments for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, including the power to deliver, accept delivery of, endorse, and direct the transfer of record title of any account assets beneficially owned by the Band, without obligation to inquire into the reasons for said orders or instructions; and

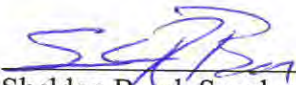
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event of any change in the office or powers of persons hereby empowered, the Secretary-Treasurer shall certify such changes to “the Institution” in writing in the manner herein above provided, which notification, when received, shall be adequate both to terminate the powers of the persons theretofore authorized, and to empower the persons thereby substituted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive, Secretary-Treasurer, District Representatives and Commissioner of Finance of the Band be, and hereby are, authorized and empowered to countersign items as aforesaid; and


BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution and the certificates actually furnished to "the Institution" by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Band pursuant thereto, be and they hereby are made irrevocable until written notice of the revocation thereof shall have been received by "the Institution".

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 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 at Chi Minising, Minnesota by a vote of \_\_\_ FOR, \_\_\_ AGAINST, \_\_\_ SILENT.

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

  
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Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly

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

  
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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive

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