



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

**RESOLUTION 19-01-104-20**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FY2020 LONG-TERM SAVINGS FUNDS TO MILLE LACS CORPORATE VENTURES TO COVER MARCH, APRIL, MAY, AND JUNE 2020 PROJECTED SHORTFALLS DUE TO COVID-19**

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, the Band Assembly is authorized under 3 MLBSA sec. 2(b) to appropriate all Band revenue regardless of source; and

WHEREAS, the Band Assembly is also authorized under 3 MLBSA sec. 2(d) to adopt resolutions to promote the general welfare of the people of the Band; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused a significant drop in demand with an uncertain duration due to travel restrictions and social distancing efforts, group gatherings of 50 people or more have been ordered to cease causing cancellations of meetings, conventions, and social gatherings, bars and restaurants in Minnesota have temporarily closed over the fear of spreading COVID-19 causing food and beverage revenue to end; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020, Governor Tim Walz issued Emergency Order 20-20 Directing Minnesotans to Stay at Home beginning March 27, 2020 through April 10, 2020 which impact the operations of the Band’s hotel properties; and

WHEREAS, Joseph S. Nayquonabe, Commissioner of Corporate Affairs, formally requested an additional appropriation on March 27, 2020 to cover March, April, May, and June 2020 projected shortfalls at the city hotels:

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| March and April operational losses<br>(requested for April 15, 2020) | \$2,436,007.00   |
| May operational losses<br>(requested for May 15, 2020)               | \$1,599,602.00   |
| June operational losses<br>(requested for June 15, 2020)             | \$1,204,391.00   |
| <b>Total Requested</b>   | <b>\$5,200,00.00: Five million, two hundred thousand dollars and no cents from FY2020 Long-Term Savings Funds; and</b> |

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WHEREAS, Commissioner Nayquonabe also requested the next principle payment for the St. Paul Hotels be moved to June 30, 2021 to reduce the immediate needed cash amounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Band Assembly hereby approves the transfer of Long-Term Savings Funds to Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures to cover shortfalls listed hereinabove; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, the Band Assembly hereby approves the next principle payment for the St. Paul Hotels be moved to June 30, 2021.

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 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2020 at Nayahshing, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 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.

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**

  
Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly