



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 19-01-72-20

**A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FY24
GREATER MINNESOTA TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES
SOLICITATION GRANT PROGRAM**

- 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 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 Assembly and Chief Executive fully support the priorities presented in the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan and ensure that the top priorities will be addressed within phases as funding becomes available; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize the need to improve safety in the Band’s communities by ensuring opportunities to make pedestrian walkways safer for adults, children, and those with disabilities along Nay Ah Shing Dr., Waakidaaki Dr. and Ataage Dr.; and
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly and Chief Executive recognize that the Band is required to commit cost sharing monies or in-kind resources in order to remain a highly qualified applicant in the amount of not more than \$160,000 which is 20% of the total program funding and the match funds will come from Tribal Transportation Program Grant dollars; and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”) requires that states agree to operate and maintain facilities constructed with federal transportation funds for the useful life of improvement and not change the use of right of way of property ownership acquired without prior approval from the FHWA; and

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WHEREAS, Transportation Alternatives projects receive federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (“MNDOT”) has determined that for projects implemented with alternative funds, this requirement should be applied to the project proposer; and

WHEREAS, the Band is the sponsoring agency for the transportation alternatives project identified as 2019 Pedestrian Walkway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Band Assembly and Chief Executive do hereby authorize and approve the submission of an application on behalf of the Band’s Community Development Department to the MNDOT for FY24 Greater Minnesota Transportation Alternatives Solicitation Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Band agrees to act as sponsoring agency for a transportation alternatives project identified as 2019 Pedestrian Walkway Project and has reviewed and approved the project as proposed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sponsorship includes a willingness to secure and guarantee the local share costs associated with this project and responsibility for seeing this project through to its completion, with compliance of all applicable laws, rules and regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED that the sponsoring agency hereby agrees to assume full responsibility for the operation and maintenance of property and facilities related to the aforementioned transportation alternatives project.

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 28th day of January, 2020 at Minneapolis, Minnesota by a vote of 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

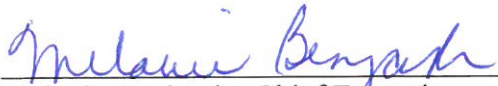
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly.



Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of Assembly

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

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Melanie Benjamin, Chief Executive