



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT SESSION OF THE BAND ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 22-01-07-26

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES FOR THE 2026 MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE ELECTION ON THE MILLE LACS RESERVATION

WHEREAS, the Joint Session of the Band Assembly of the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe (“Band”) is the Band governing body as referred to in the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Election Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Session of the Band Assembly is comprised of the Secretary-Treasurer/Speaker of the Assembly, the Chief Executive, the District I Representative, the District II Representative, and the District III Representative in accordance with 3 MLBS § 27(b); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Executive Committee of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (“MCT”) adopted a revised Election Ordinance on December 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, § 1.3(C)(4) of the Election Ordinance mandates that “[e]ach Band governing body must certify eligible candidates for office in accordance with the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Constitution, the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Election Ordinance, and the dates and guidelines established for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Elections[;]” and

WHEREAS, the Band’s Office of the Solicitor General has completed criminal background investigations on all candidates who have filed to run for elected office on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026 and has found each of them listed below to be eligible in accordance with the MCT Constitution and the MCT Election Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Joint Session hereby certifies Megan Ballinger, Sheldon Boyd, and Suzanne Wise to run for the elected position of Secretary-Treasurer on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Joint Session hereby certifies Michael Aubid, Thomas Benjamin, Harvey Goodsky Jr., and Raina Killspotted to run for the elected position of District II Representative on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Joint Session hereby certifies Maria Costello, Weylin Davis, Michelle Pomerleau, Lionel Richey, Wallace St. John Sr. and Wanetta Thompson to run for the elected position of District III Representative on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026.

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BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Joint Session hereby certifies Shelly Day to run for the elected position of District I Nayahshing School Board Member on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026.

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Joint Session hereby certifies Richard Dunkley to run for the elected position of District III Nayahshing School Board Member on the Mille Lacs Reservation in 2026.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a Joint Session of the Band Assembly, a quorum of elected officials being present, held on the 9th day of February, 2026, at Nayahshing, Minnesota, by a vote of 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND




Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly