

LEECH LAKE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSITION THAT EACH TRIBE WITHIN THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO SET THEIR OWN ENROLLMENT CRITERIA

- WHEREAS, The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe ("Band") is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, and operating under the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to its inherent sovereign authority and its By-Laws, the Band's Reservation Business Committee ("RBC"), made up of duly elected representatives, is the governing body of the Band, having all the legislative powers and responsibilities of the tribal government; and
- WHEREAS, The RBC is charged with the responsibility of protecting and advocating for the health and welfare of Leech Lake Band members within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The RBC respects each Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes as individual sovereign Bands; and
- **WHEREAS,** The RBC finds that determining membership is a necessary and basic exercise of sovereign authority and autonomy; and
- WHEREAS, The RBC supports the proposition that each Band comprising the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe should be authorized to exercise its sovereignty by establishing the criteria necessary to be eligible for enrollment; and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That Leech Lake RBC, at a duly called meeting with a quorum present, does hereby declare that it supports the proposition that each Band comprising the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes be authorized to establish its own enrollment criteria; and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, That this Resolution is effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly presented and acted on by a vote of ______ for, _____ against and ______ silent at a Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee, a quorum being present, held on ______, 2021 at Cass

Lake, Minnesota. Accordingly, this Resolution is duly adopted by the Reservation Business Committee for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, and the Reservation Business Committee further certifies that this Resolution is in full force and has not been amended or rescinded in any way.

Faron Jackson Sr., Chairman Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Arthur LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe