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1855 TREATY AUTHORITY

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RESOLUTION FOR 2017 WILD RICE HARVESTING RESOLUTION # 2017-01

WHEREAS, the 1855 Treaty Authority is comprised of treaty beneficiary members of the 1855 Treaty between the Chippewa Indians and the United States with regard to territory that became what is now known as Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the signatory Bands have reserved hunting, fishing, gathering and resource management rights and responsibilities in the 1855 Treaty ceded territory; and

WHEREAS, the 1855 Treaty Authority has petitioned the Department of Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs seeking federal protection of off reservation and perpetual usufructuary use and property interests in the 1855 Treaty ceded territory, which includes numerous unimpaired waters inclusive of waters vital to the production of wild rice, the plant of supreme cultural significance to the Chippewa; and

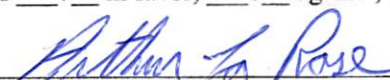
WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has no legal authority to regulate tribal members harvest under federal treaties or Congressional act granting limited civil or criminal jurisdiction under Public Law 83-280 (18 U.S.C. § 1162, 28 U.S.C. § 1360); and

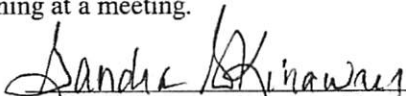
WHEREAS, the 1855 Treaty Authority is regulating off reservation harvesting by treaty beneficiaries of the 1855 Chippewa Treaty; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 1855 Treaty Authority now permits all 1855 Chippewa Treaty members to gather manoomin or wild rice on all the public waters, lakes and rivers within 1855 Treaty ceded territory during daylight hours, sunrise to sunset; and

CERTIFICATION

We do hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the 1855 Treaty Authority, a quorum being present, held at Mahnomon, Minnesota on August 18, 2017, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 against, and 0 abstaining at a meeting.


Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Chairman


Sandra Skinaway, Secretary-Treasurer

TREATY WITH THE CHIPPEWA, 1855.

Feb. 22, 1855. | 10 Stat., 1165. | Ratified March 3, 1855. | Proclaimed Apr. 7, 1855.