

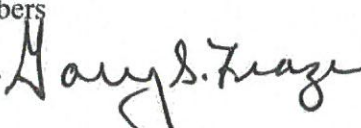


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May 31, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tribal Executive Committee Members
FROM: Gary S. Frazer, Executive Director 
SUBJECT: Separate recognition on the list of Federally Recognized Tribes.

As you recall, the Tribal Executive Committee passed Resolution 27-16 (Attached) in November 2015 requesting the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs to revise the list of Federally Recognized Indian Tribes by adding the highlighted phase in the 2016 Federal Register: "Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota (Six component reservations, ***each of which continues to be separately recognized***: Bois Forte Band (Nett Lake); Fond du Lac Band; Grand Portage Band; Leech Lake Band; Mille Lacs Band; White Earth Band)".

It was brought to the attention of Mille Lacs Legal Counsel by Eric Shepard from the Interior office that interior would like to contact the six Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Bands to confirm that they want the Interior to do something to clarify the separate recognition of each band.

Please be aware that the Interior will be contact each band this week and it would be helpful if a Resolution from each band was prepared supporting the Tribe's Resolution.

If you have any questions concerning this request please call me.