

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

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Reservation Business Committee

RESOLUTION #1022/19

Supporting HF 70, A Bill Creating a Task Force on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

The Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee, on behalf of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, hereby enacts the following Resolution:



Chairman
Kevin R. Dupuis, Sr.

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Ferdinand Martineau, Jr.

Dist. I Representative
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Dist. II Representative
Bruce M. Savage

Dist. III Representative
Roger M. Smith, Sr.

Executive Director,
Tribal Programs
Miyah M. Danielson

WHEREAS, the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa are a sovereign people, who occupy the Fond du Lac Reservation and retain their aboriginal rights of self-government and self-determination pursuant to the Treaty of LaPointe of September 30, 1854, 10 Stat. 1109; the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. § 461 et seq.; the common law of the United States; and as recognized by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples of September 17, 2007; and

WHEREAS, it is the sovereign obligation of the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee, as the duly-constituted governing body of the Fond du Lac Band, to exercise the responsibilities of self-government and management over the Band's affairs; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous women in the United States face murder rates at 10 times the national average; and

WHEREAS, nobody has documented the exact number of missing and murdered Indigenous women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, regardless of the exact number, we know that Indigenous women go missing in Minnesota at an alarming rate; and


WHEREAS, one step toward addressing this travesty will be to develop a Task Force on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women; and

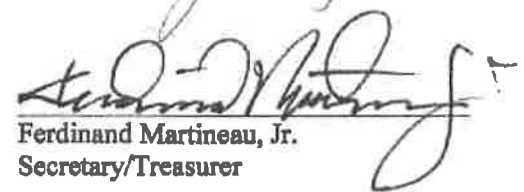
WHEREAS, HF 70, as proposed, dictates the creation of such a Task Force as well as annual reporting and appropriations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee does hereby support HF 70.

CERTIFICATION

We do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly presented and acted upon by vote of 4 for, 0 against, 0 silent, with a quorum of 5 being present at a special Meeting of the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee held on January 25, 2019, on the Fond du Lac Reservation.


Kevin R. Dupuis, Sr.
Chairwoman


Ferdinand Martineau, Jr.
Secretary/Treasurer