

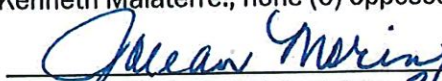
RESOLUTION NUMBER TMBC1093-03-24 OF THE DULY ELECTED AND CERTIFIED GOVERNING BODY OF THE TURTLE MOUNTAIN BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

- WHEREAS, the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, (hereafter referred to as the Tribe), is a federally recognized Tribe and is an unincorporated Band of Indians acting under a revised Constitution and By-Laws approved by the Secretary of Interior on June 16, 1959 and all approved amendments thereto; and
- WHEREAS, Article IX (a) Section 1 of the Turtle Mountain Constitution and By-Laws empowers the Tribal Council with the authority to represent the Band and to negotiate with the Federal, State and local Governments and with private person(s); and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is aware that the Turtle Mountain area has valuable and sustainable distributed energy resources (DER) that may be used to generate clean electricity for greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe faces levels of poverty and unemployment on the Reservation that are disproportionately high as compared to the surrounding region, and electricity costs are a significant expense for many Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, that the Tribal Council is deeply committed to the development of sustainable energy resources and GHG reduction on the Reservation, including development of the proposed project; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council deems it necessary to develop and deploy sustainable distributed energy resources to benefit the members of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, through reduced energy costs, increased job opportunities, and the broader environmental benefit of transitioning to sustainable energy; and
- WHEREAS, Native Sun, a non-profit organization is offering their grant writing services at no cost for this proposal and will assist Tribal Planning with technical information to reduce greenhouse gases; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Turtle Mountain Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Planning Office to submit and administer a proposal to the U.S. EPA responsive to Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grants General Competition on behalf of the Tribe for up to \$50 million with no matching funds required for the four North Dakota Tribal Priority areas: 1) Energy efficient housing; 2) Clean transportation; 3) Waste reduction; and 4) Clean energy and efficient buildings as determined in the North Dakota Priority Climate Action Plan with GHG reduction measures for tribal governments within North Dakota to be implemented by those tribal governments.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned Tribal Secretary of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of *nine (9) members* of whom *eight (8)* constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called, convened and held on the *28<sup>th</sup> of March, 2024* that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of *seven (7) in favor* – Representatives Blaine “Slugger” Davis, Ron Trottier Sr., Elmer Davis Jr., Jon Jon Keplin, Chad Counts, Craig Lunday and Lynn Gourneau; one (1) absent- Rep. Kenneth Malaterre.; none (0) opposed; with the Tribal Chairman not voting.

  
Jolean A. Morin, Tribal Secretary *3/28/24*

☒ SIGNED INTO LAW/Dated this *28<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 2024  
( ) VETOED/Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

  
Jamie Azure, Tribal Chairman