

## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

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## LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. LD2018 - \_\_073\_\_

**RE: ENBRIDGE LINE 3** 

- WHEREAS, The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Indians 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, the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee ("RBC") is the duly elected and authorized governing body of the Leech Lake Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The Leech Lake RBC is charged with the responsibility of protecting and advocating for the health and welfare of Leech Lake Band members within the Leech Lake Reservation boundaries; and
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is opposed to proposed alternative routes that passes through the Leech Lake Indian Reservation;
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is in support of removing the current operational line 3 from the Leech Lake Indian Reservation;
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is the regulator and is responsible for any environmental or potential environmental impacts with in the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian reservation;
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe does have a consensual relationship with Enbridge Inc. and does have the capacity to regulate any non-tribal entity that has entered into a consensual relationship with the Tribe;
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe has usufructory rights on all federal and state lands within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe;
- WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe will use all means at its disposal to ensure that the Line 3 proposed route does not cross through the Leech Lake Indian Reservation;
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Leech Lake Tribal Council does hereby give notice to all Minnesota State and Federal government entities to remove line 3 off the Leech Lake Indian Reservation, effective immediately.

## THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

- That the Leech Lake Tribal Council does hereby with today's resolution proclaim any attempt by any entity
  of the State of Minnesota to approve a route across the Leech Lake Indian Reservation as an attack on tribal
  sovereignty; and
- 2. That the Leech Lake Tribal Council does hereby warn that any attempt to cross the Leech Lake Indian Reservation will lead to conflict; and
- 3. That the Leech Lake Tribal Council will not approve a route across the Leech Lake Indian Reservation.

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We do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of <u>4</u> for and <u>0</u> against, at a <u>Special</u> meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, a quorum being present, held on <u>Monday, November 27</u>, 2017 at <u>Cass Lake</u>, Minnesota.

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