TRIBAL CONSTITUTION

INTERPRETATION 8-94

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The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

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Attest: Peter J. DeFoe, Jr., Secretary
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 13, 1994

A special meeting of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Executive Committee was called to order by President Darrell Wadena, at 3:12 p.m., July 13, 1994, at the Kelly Inn, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Roll Call: Present: Darrell Wadena; Peter J. Defoe, Jr.; David C. Morrison; Jerry Rawley; Robert Peacock; Gary Donald; Marge Anderson; David Matrious; Alfred Pemberton; Gilbert Caribou; Leech Lake Secretary/Treasurer.

A full quorum present.

Darrell Wadena administered the Oath of Office to: David C. Morrison, Secretary/Treasurer, Bois Forte Reservation; Peter J. Defoe, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer, Fond du Lac Reservation; Gilbert Caribou, Secretary/Treasurer, Grand Portage Reservation; Daniel Brown, Secretary/Treasurer, Leech Lake Reservation; and David Matrious, Secretary/Treasurer, Mille Lacs Reservation.

Jerry Rawley, Secretary/Treasurer of the White Earth Tribal Council requested a Constitutional interpretation from the Tribal Executive Committee relating to the powers of Chairpersons of Reservation Business Committees and to delegation of authority. Motion by Jerry Rawley that the language of the Constitution is interpreted to mean that the delegation of authority is given to the Reservation Business Committees. Seconded by Peter J. Defoe, Jr. Carried.

David Matrious asked about some enrollment issues brought up recently regarding a number of requests to transfer membership to Mille Lacs. Judy Moe, Director of Tribal Operations, requested that the transfer requests be sent to her at the Tribal Operations program and she will do the research.

Motion by Alfred Pemberton to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Marge Anderson, 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.