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**RESOLUTION NO. 42-2024**

Upon a motion by Representative May and second by Secretary Strong, the following was enacted:

**WHEREAS**, the Red Lake Tribal Council is the governing body of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians; and the Tribal Council is the governing body has the constitutional authority and the responsibility to provide for the safety, health and welfare of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council was informed of the Public Works Department's request to apply for a grant through the federal Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant for the purpose of accelerating the reconstruction of Highway 1 through Redby; and for completing the engineering, environmental, and design work for the Thunder Lake Road extension; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council was informed that the reconstruction of Highway 1 through Redby is not scheduled until 2031; and that if a RAISE grant were awarded by the federal government, the reconstruction of the stretch of Highway 1 through Redby could be moved up to 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, at the October 2023 Regular Tribal Council meeting, the Tribal Council was informed that the engineer's estimate of the cost of the two projects – 1) Highway 1 reconstruction through Redby, and 2) the engineering, environmental, and design work for the Thunder Lake Road extension, would total \$17 million, and through Resolution Number 273-2023, the Tribal Council authorized an application for a RAISE grant in this amount; and

**WHEREAS**, since the October 2023 meeting, the Tribal Council was informed that the cost of the Highway 1 reconstruction through Redby, and the engineering, environmental, and design work for the Thunder Lake Road extension will be in excess of \$25 million; and the Tribal Council was informed that a new resolution authorizing an application for the RAISE grant in the amount of \$25 million would be necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council is in support of the RAISE grant application in the amount of \$25 million, and hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the Red Lake Band and its members to authorize the Public Works Department to apply for the RAISE grant in the amount of \$25 million for the purpose of reconstructing Highway 1 through Redby in 2026, rather than in 2031; together with the cost of the engineering, environmental, and design work for the Thunder Lake Road extension. Now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Public Works Department to apply for a RAISE grant in the amount of \$25 million for the purpose of reconstructing Highway 1 through Redby in 2026; and for the purpose of completing the engineering, environmental, and design work for the Thunder Lake Road extension; and

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**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council authorizes the Chairman to execute the documents necessary for the grant application and any other related documents.

**FOR:** 8

**AGAINST:** 0      **Representative Cobenais and Representative Martin**

We do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and acted upon at the Regular Meeting of the Tribal Council held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 with a quorum present, at the Tribal Council Chambers at the Red Lake Nation Headquarters, Red Lake.

DARRELL G. SEKI, SR., CHAIRMAN

SAMUEL R. STRONG, SECRETARY