

MILLE LACS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
A RESOLUTION PROPOSING STATE MANDATE REFORM

WHEREAS, a provision was included in the State Government Finance bill House File 1481 (Article 2, Section 3) and is as follows:

“A county, town, school district, or statutory or home rule charter city may file a written resolution with the State Auditor objecting to a state mandate or making recommendations for reforming a state mandate. The State Auditor must list on the State Auditor’s website a list of all state mandates cited in a resolution under this section, and the name of the unit of the local government citing the mandate,” and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners support the concepts of mandate reform and urges the Minnesota Legislature to give serious consideration of all proposals made by cities, townships and counties, and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners support actions which could lower costs, improve services to the public and make expenditures more accountable, and

WHEREAS, State Sales and Use Tax is imposed on local governments according to Minnesota Statutes 297A.61-63, and

WHEREAS, imposing State Sales and Use Tax on local governments only shifts the burden from a use tax to a property tax;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mille Lacs County supports eliminating the requirement that local governments pay State Sales and Use Tax.