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From: Chief Stacy Amikwabi

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Aniin Nation of the Amikwa Nipissing Allies,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Reflecting on our NANA Gathering on May 11th, 2024, it is clear that we must continue our efforts to communicate the importance of supporting our journey to all members of our Nation. As discussed with several Executive Council Members, we need to unite to ensure the financial stability required to sustain our ongoing and future initiatives.

To this end, we kindly request your financial assistance on a monthly basis in the amount of \$ 25.00, which can be sent via e-transfer to the7grandfathers@gmail.com. Your contributions will directly support the following key initiatives that are crucial for our community's growth and prosperity:

- 1. **Legal Advocacy**: Strengthening our ongoing legal claims and advocating for indigenous rights. We have assisted various members with letters and representation in standing up for their harvesting rights. While our litigation progresses with the AOO, Ontario, and Canada, these efforts incur significant costs. Despite Michael Swinwood, our legal counsel, taking these cases on pro bono, we need financial support to bolster our current initiatives.
- 2. **Economic Development**: Establishing revenue-generating enterprises and conducting financial literacy workshops to empower our members.
- 3. **Heritage and Culture Revitalization**: Documenting and promoting our traditional practices to ensure they are preserved for future generations.
- 4. Youth Programming and Trade Schools: Providing opportunities for our youth through cultural exchange programs, educational support, and skill development.
- 5. **Harvesting Rights Advocacy**: Asserting our rights to traditional harvesting and managing our lands and resources.
- 6. **Non-Coercive Special Engagement Agreements**: Negotiating agreements that respect original title holders and prioritize our community's well-being.

This financial support is vital to sustain our current efforts and to build a strong foundation for our future. We encourage you to consider making either monthly donations or an annual contribution to support our collective journey.

Over the past ten months, we have made significant strides, and it is crucial to share these achievements to inspire further participation and support. Together, we have worked diligently to reach this point, and with your continued assistance, we can achieve even greater milestones.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our community.

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