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Nindizhinikaaz**

I have personally thanked my 1st and 2nd Nominators: Davie Sylvester and Candy Sylvester.

My words have come out later than most. This is not to evade engagement, as I have been listening to our members' wants and needs, as well as examining the concept of "change." This has me dissecting what it means to CAMPAIGN and how we do it. So, my apologies if that seems off, or new – However, with this intention; I do not wish to call anyone down in order to gain your trust and support, and I do not wish to simply say what I think SHOULD be said in place of that of conviction. I understand what we need to let go of as we move forward.

With that being said, these are some primary avenues requiring attention and as efficient operation as possible.

** I am the Thunder you hear coming in the distance. Bear Clan (adopted thru ceremony).
* Chimnissing and Shawanaga are my homelands. (Registered member of Chimnissing)
* I am the Son of Deanne (Baa) and Gerard Moreau (step)..
* My father is former Chief Mickey Pawis of Shawanaga.
* My Grandparents of Chimnissing are Elizabeth (Baa) and Abraham (Baa) King
My GST name is **Wesley King**. It is a true honor to be standing here before you running for this terms O'Gemaa/Chief.*

Key Points of Interest:

Capital projects/ infrastructure

Housing

Public Transportation

Elders/ youth/ family

Reconnecting our membership

Public safety

Education

Economic Development

Efficiency of operations

Vision/Goals:

**See that current or recent projects are done to 100%, grade 'A' COMPLETION. *See that any NEW projects have a larger member participation. *Tendering process fair and equal to all members, first and foremost. *Ensure Public Works is heard and valued.*

**'A' level builds. *Adequate compensation. *Having equal opportunity for all trades/contractors. *Training in trades so we can grow into the work we have to hire out.*

**Reservation app for the ferry ensuring members are accommodated first. *Examine and adjust ferry prices for those visiting for leisure. *Act on developing an island bus or taxi service.*

**New space/structure with more access. *Implement a Youth Council – give them opportunity to shine where they see fit.*

**Rekindling our community fire in how we care for one another. *Full commitment to healing, health, wellness and culture for all levels of participation/need. *Bridging the on/off reserve gap.*

**Safety is a passion of mine, and will be a top priority in reconnecting our community with a focus on: *Healing/support for addictions. *Creating a safe atmosphere between council <-> staff and staff <-> community.*

**Examine and adjust living allowance to truly reflect our support for students given the current cost of living. *Create pathways for students who want to return home and utilize their diploma's/degrees.*

** Real Eco-tourism development opportunities. *We will take the steering wheel and have our OWN SOURCE REVENUE opportunities and assets.*

**Ensure all the above are working more secure and up-to-date. *Assessment/revision of wages and work-health-family life including an exploration of a 4-day work week.*

With a diverse 22 years of professional experience, I have fostered true connections and partnership that continue to this day. This is proven in the connections I've maintained with previous employers in public safety and security, health and wellness, education, family well-being and economic development. As the chief/O'Gemaa, my communication would be an asset in representing our nation honorably while ensuring all voices are heard. This includes looking at opportunities for self-governance in increasing capacities that maintain our traditional ways of the Anishinabek. Change means recognizing and correcting approaches that do not support the health and true growth of our generations now and to come. During elections and thereafter, I will go to work for you with my best efforts to lead with diplomacy at heart. Please reach out!