Letter of Intent

My name is Chris Tom and I am running for the Vice- Chairman position that I currently hold.

First off, I would like to thank you all for you're past votes and let everyone know that it has been such an honor and privilege for me to have your trust and be one of your voices for these last several years. Being on Council has been a very positive experience. I have learned so much; yet know that there is still so much more that I can gain. Our Tribe is growing at a rapid pace, and with that, we must make ourselves available when a decision has to be made. When a vote is needed, I look at all aspects of the information of any giving issue or request that has been presented. I do this so that I can make an informative decision on what direction my vote will go. My vote has never been what would be a benefit for a few; rather what would benefit the majority of our people, and this is how it would continue to be.

Council addresses many issues on a daily basis and I believe that each issue we face is equally as important as the next. One is our treaty rights. I am proud that I am a Tribal fisherman and my family, like many other Tribal families, depends on our fishing and hunting rights for our livelihood. My loyalties are with our Tribe and Tribal people and if reelected, I will continue to fight hard for our families now and in the future as I have for so many years.

There has been a lot of change happening within our Tribe and I look forward to the great things to come. I hope I can be a part of the future growth as your voice, the voice of the General Council, as the Vice – Chairman for another term. I thank you for your consideration and your vote.

Chris Tom