

WAASNODE KWE, NORTHERN LIGHTS WOMEN

Ahnii, Boozhoo

First and fore most acknowledgments go to our ones the have gone before us, our young, our elders, our community members, our leaders.

Our community have successes and far too many losses. Without them and lessons to be learned, life is always foregoing especially with this New and Adapting life we face. As the community of Chitiigaaning/Henvey Inlet and our surrounding communities and family, we are still moving forward. Going forth as Waasnode Kwe, Northern Lights Women, my English name Maureen Kagagins, being nominated of a RESPECTED ELDER to me, James Solomon and Mareo Mancini, for a Re-Elect as your Councillor of Chitiigaaning/Henvey Inlet, honoured to be sitting here with our members. Acknowledgements go out to every member that supported me 2 years ago. To our members that I have not had the opportunity and privilege to meet yet, hugs to each of you. These past 2 years of voicing and representing for you have been a learning experience and lesson for me.

As a Sister, an Auntie, a Mother, Grandmother, Wife and a Friend/Community Member, RE-ELECT WAASNODE KWE, MAUREEN KAGAGINS. As I sit here and write to you all, my MOTHER is the one that has taught me true strength, MUCH LOVE to BERTHA KAGAGINS.

I have always said this growing up, everyday is a learning lesson, we are meant to be where we are, with all our lessons, hurts, all our loves in OUR COMMUNITY, members of Chitiigaaning. When we sit with one another, we hear each other, lets sit together and revitalize our language, our culture and just be together as a community. (705)698-7435 cell or (705)670-7648 work, <u>annabellekagagins@gmail.com</u> or 274 Old Still River Rd. Britt, ON POG1A0

Nahow Meegwetch Miinwaa, Kinaawaayoog Thank you all