The MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council through council resolution appointed me as their electoral officer to supervise council’s May 25, 2019 election to ensure a fair election consistent with the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council Community Electoral Code. I was responsible to conduct, oversee and be responsible for all matters concerning the election of the community council, to ensure a fair and impartial election process and take any steps necessary to ensure the effective implementation of the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council Community Electoral Code.

As per Article B33.1 of the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council Community Electoral Code it is my duty to officially announce the results of the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council elections and declare elected those candidates who received the largest number of votes.

After the Close of Nominations on May 10, 2019 there were a total of 11 nominees for the 10 positions available on the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council. Ten nominees were verified with one nominee not being verified. The positions of President, Chair and Senator were to only positions contested heading to the May 25, 2019 ballot box election. One candidate for the Senator position withdrew from the race leaving the President and Chair positions to be determined through ballot box elections. All of the remaining candidates were acclaimed to their respective positions.

On Saturday May 25, 2019 the election polls opened from 9:00am to 6:00pm at the MNO office in Thunder Bay, there were a total of 35 ballots cast with no spoiled ballots reported.

The following candidates have been elected to a three year term:

- **President**: Robert Graham (Elected)
- **Chair**: Wendy Houston (Elected)
- **Senator**: Deb Grebenc (Acclaimed)
- **Secretary**: Trudy Bellamy (Acclaimed)
- **Treasurer**: David Bell (Acclaimed)
- **Women’s Representative**: Vacant
- **Youth Representative**: Vacant
- **Councillor**: Phil McGuire (Acclaimed)
- **Councillor**: Hope Bell (Acclaimed)
- **Councillor**: Vacant

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the newly elected MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council and thank those who have been long serving members of the council for their time and dedication to the citizens of the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council and the MNO as a whole.

Regards

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