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My fellow tribal citizens, I am Fred Kiogima, a current Tribal Councilor. I take pride in serving on our Tribal Council. Having the honor to represent our tribal nation has been uplifting. I am seeking "YOUR VOTE" for another term.

My Father is Augustine Kiogima-ba II a WWII veteran, who attained the rank of Technical Sergeant in the United States Air Force. My mother, Helen Agnes (Shawa) Kiogima-ba walked on after a hard fought battle with cancer. I reside where I spent the early years of life, on Indian Road in Brutus, MI, two miles from the infamous Burt Lake burnout. My maternal grandparents are Amos-ba and Ida-ba (Chingwa) Shawa from Indian Road, Brutus, MI. I have four brothers, Augustine III, Melvin, Alan-ba, an Air Force Veteran himself and Gordon Bryce-ba who walked on 3 months after touching Mother Earth. I am the proud father of 2 children, a daughter Feather, and a son Bryce.

As we continue forward as a tribal nation, and endeavor to be self sustaining and sovereign, we must always seek out Leadership that has the attributes to lead us. I will seek out a citizen that has "proven leadership" to respectfully represent us as a nation, possesses honesty and integrity and tries their utmost to be a positive representation of us as Odawa people. That person must always be able to "walk in two worlds", ours and the dominant society. If leadership is unable they will fail in both, and failure is not an option.

I seek your VOTE, having the ability to represent the Odawa people in two worlds, (being a retired Gunnery Sergeant, serving 22+ years, both in peace time and in a combat zone) having served honorably on The Land and Reservation Committee, serving with honesty and integrity as your Tribal Chairman and on the Odawa Casino Board of Directors.

Experience in leadership is a must, our Tribal Nation has been tested the last three years, having endured and persevered through a global pandemic, we have been tested by the Creator and I believe we have become stronger as a people because of it.

Throughout this, your Tribal Council remained steadfast in ensuring that our nation remained stable and resilient. With all we have been through I remain committed to the "priorities" I have set forth and I continue in that direction. We have made great strides in attaining housing, supporting preservation of our culture and language and continued treaty rights, working consistently to foster an honorable, professional and positive working relationship between the three branches of government and supporting economic diversification. Our continued reliance on the casino to fund the government budget is unsustainable. I will always support a zero tolerance policy for any racial or gender discrimination or intimidation in the government workplace or at government functions. There are many issues that seem continual and with your "VOTE" I will do my utmost best to help resolve them.

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Semper Fi

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