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Community Notice - Interim Executive Director Appointment

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The Mohawk Council of Kanehsatà:ke is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. François Lapointe as Interim Executive Director, effective March 23.

Mr. Lapointe brings extensive experience in administration, governance and organizational capacity building, and has worked closely with the organization for more than 7 years as a human resources consultant.

This mandate was granted on an interim basis: it is temporary and focused on strengthening structures, accountability, and sustainability. This decision supports continuity of essential services and strengthens administrative capacity during this unprecedented governance situation.

The decision to go forward with an interim mandate was motivated by several factors. First, the position of Executive Director, a role essential to maintaining a clear line between political and administrative tasks, was posted for several months and went unfilled. In the context of the limited caretaker mandate, it was also judged especially necessary to hire someone competent to undertake administrative management, to reinforce both internal capacity and the separation between political and administrative duties. Mr. Lapointe's mandate also includes involvement in a transparent and community-centred search for a permanent Executive Director, which includes identifying, hiring and training a competent resource for the role.

Appointing an Interim Executive Director with background in governance to manage the organization until the election allows the caretaker council to step further back and only address urgent organizational matters. The ongoing judicial review continues independently of this administrative appointment. When an election can be organized properly, Mr. Lapointe will support a smooth transition of affairs to the newly-elected council.

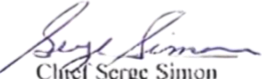
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