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## MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER – NOTICE OF VOTE

INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE REGISTERED STATUS INDIANS UNDER THE *INDIAN ACT* AND BELONG TO ANOTHER FIRST NATION ARE ENTITLED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION IF THE MAJORITY OF VOTES CAST BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS, VOTE IN FAVOUR OF ACCEPTING THE INDIVIDUAL. MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS ARE ONLY VOTED ON DURING A CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION GENERAL ELECTION.

WE HAVE FOUR REQUESTS:

1. **BROESKY, SHAUGHN**  
REQUESTS TRANSFER FROM OPASKWAYAK CREE NATION TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION.
2. **EMERY, AUSTIN LAWRENCE**  
REQUESTS TRANSFER FROM M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION.
3. **RYCKMAN, ROBERT**  
REQUESTS TRANSFER FROM MORAVIAN OF THE THAMES FIRST NATION TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION.
4. **THOMPSON, CINDY**  
REQUESTS TRANSFER FROM M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION.

Attached are letters from the above-named individuals requesting a transfer.

There are three (3) methods in which members may vote. In person at the polling station on **June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, electronic via OneFeather (<https://onefeather.ca/nations/curvelake>) or through mail-in ballot.

All off reserve eligible voting members (of whom we have a current address) will receive a mail-in voting package. It is the members/voters' responsibility to provide Curve Lake First Nation with their current mailing address. On reserve members who wish to receive a mail-in ballot package may contact me at 705-657-8045 or [loist@curvelake.ca](mailto:loist@curvelake.ca).

Miigwetch,

  
Lois Taylor-Lippert  
Indian Registration Administrator / Membership Coordinator

Currently I am a member of the Opaskwayak Cree Nation from The Pas Manitoba. I have been a member there since 2016 as I did not have status prior due to my mother having lost her status due to the whole residential school fiasco that happened through the 50's-70's. She finally had her status reinstated in 2015 and I was then able to get mine. My initial paper work and status card was actually all done through your office at that time in 2016.

My mother's birth parents/my maternal grandparents were from The Pas (whom have long passed and so I never met). I myself have never been to The Pas and most likely never will as I reside in Buckhorn Ontario, with no plans on moving as I built a new house in 2014, this is planned to be the house I grow old in.

Since gaining status I have been trying to learn the history of Indigenous people and to be more active and support Indigenous persons. Recently I have joined ION (Indigenous Opportunities in Nuclear) group and support their initiative to get more Indigenous into the good paying jobs available in the nuclear power industry. I myself am currently employed at the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station where we have a sharing circle of ION candidates where we can meet and discuss matters that affect our work and personal lives as well as cultural concerns.

I would like to become a member of Curve Lake First Nation for several reasons. It is the closest to where I live so geographically most convenient. I would like to be able to help other members where I can. A want to learn more of culture, history and what it is like to be Indigenous person with the support of the band being close. At the moment any questions I have asked, I am told to ask my band. So I call the band and then they tell me well you should come in to discuss this. What does that even mean? Right now I have a vague understanding of what we have as rights as Indigenous people but no solid answers.

I felt as though you should know a little bit about the reasons I want to join your band and so apologize if it was lengthy.

Best Regards

Shaughn Broesky

APRIL 11, 2022

CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION  
ATTN: LOIS TAYLOR-LIPPERT  
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

MY NAME IS AUSTIN LAWRENCE EMERY, ALTHOUGH I AM KNOWN BY MOST AS LARRY EMERY. I AM 83 YEARS OLD AND HAVE LIVED HERE SINCE JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2000 WHEN I MOVED HERE WITH MY WIFE SHERRIN EMERY WHOSE ROOTS ARE IN CURVE LAKE THROUGH HER GRANDMOTHER RUTH WHETUNG. SHERRIN IS A MEMBER OF CLFN.

MY GRANDMOTHER ELIZABETH CORBIERE WAS BORN AT WEST BAY ON MANITOULIN ISLAND. HER BAND IS NOW KNOWN AS M'CHIGEENG. IN DECEMBER 2021 I WAS GRANTED STATUS BASED ON MY RELATION TO HER.

MY WIFE AND I WILL BE MARRIED 60 YEARS IN JUNE AND AS SENIORS WE HAVE BEEN SO IMPRESSED BY THE WAY CLFN TAKES CARE OF THE ELDERS. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO ENJOY A REASONABLE DEGREE OF GOOD HEALTH AND WILL BE ABLE TO LIVE OUT OUR FINAL YEARS HERE. THERE IS NO PLACE ON EARTH THAT WE WOULD RATHER LIVE.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A TRANSFER TO CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND CONSIDERATION.

SINCERELY  
*A.L. Emery*

A. L. EMERY

Hello Curve Lake Members,

My name is Robert Ryckman or Bobby as many of you may know me by.

I currently reside in Curve Lake but was born and raised in Toronto. It was while I was in Toronto that I started my family and had 4 children Willy, Phillip, Andrew and Amber Ryckman. Through my children I was introduced to the Curve Lake community. My father in law, the late Barry Taylor, lived in Curve Lake and we visited often. I really enjoyed visiting Curve Lake and being part of the community.

Around 2000/2001 after my marriage ended I met Lisa Wager Johnson and I moved to Curve Lake. Together we had 2 daughters Emily and Aimee. Although our relationship ended after 9 years, I continue to work and live in Curve Lake to be close to my daughters. It has been 22 years since I moved to this community and I now consider Curve Lake home.

I am fortunate enough to have a great relationship Lisa and her husband Chuck, who has become a good friend. Together we are teaching our daughters the importance of family.

I am currently a member of Moravian of the Thames First Nation but have never been there nor do I have any family there. As stated above my family and friends are here in Curve Lake.

I am requesting to transfer to Curve Lake to become a member of a community that I consider to be my home.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert E Ryckman

Jan 10, 2022

Curve Lake First Nations; Chief, Council and Band Members

Please accept this letter requesting to transfer bands from M'Chigeeng First Nations to Curve Lake First Nations.

My name is Cindy Thompson and I have been a part of Curve Lake community since July of 2009. I continue to learn about spirituality, culture, language and history of the indigenous people and am always striving for more knowledge.

I wish to be a member of Curve Lake First Nations to contribute or assist in any events, fundraising, community service for individuals etc. or otherwise.

If accepted and called upon, I will do my utmost to fulfill my duties as a member of the community with integrity.

Miigwetch,

Cindy Thompson