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**RE: Great Greenz Dispensary**

I am writing to you to advise you that Council met on January 19, 2022. Any business or operation related to Cannabis remains subject to a Moratorium. This Moratorium has been provided to you on many occasions. The Council is not pleased with your defiance and disrespect to the current moratorium which is in place. The Council also acknowledges others in the community who are respectfully and patiently awaiting the finalization of laws as it relates to Cannabis in M'Chigeeng.

We have always acknowledged that Cannabis has been legalized in Canada and is subject to the *Cannabis Act* which is the Federal Law for the purposes of the following:

- protect the health of young persons by restricting their access to cannabis;
- protect young persons and others from inducements to use cannabis;
- provide for the licit production of cannabis to reduce illicit activities in relation to cannabis;
- deter illicit activities in relation to cannabis through appropriate sanctions and enforcement measures;
- reduce the burden on the criminal justice system in relation to cannabis;
- provide access to a quality-controlled supply of cannabis; and
- enhance public awareness of the health risks associated with cannabis use.

The *Cannabis Law* was created without consulting the First Nations and devolving powers to the Provinces to enact their own Provincial Laws around Cannabis provided that they meet the minimal requirements of the Federal Legislation.

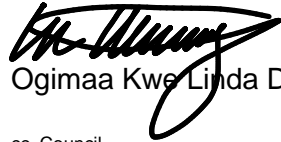
In Ontario, the Provincial *Cannabis Act*, establishes the rules and regulations around the retail, use, possession, growing and packaging of Cannabis. Medical Cannabis remains regulated by the Government of Canada.

On February 4, 2021, the First Nation has provided directive to HIAH Corp. to commence work on the Cannabis file including community consultation and preparation of draft laws and regulations. This has not yet been completed. The Council is steadfast on ensuring that the proper laws are in place further advancing our sovereignty. Similar to that of tobacco, and relating the same principle of exercising our sovereign right, it is important to note that this right is founded on the collective right of the people.

Therefore, the Council has the responsibility in ensuring what is done is proper and is subject to rules that ensure safety of the people and is approved by the people. We are currently awaiting an update and progress report from HIAH Corp.

With respect to the existing By-Laws of M'Chigeeng, your business remains unlicensed and illegal at this time.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ogimaa Kwe Linda Debassige', written over the printed name.

Ogimaa Kwe Linda Debassige

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