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NAN EXPRESSES OPTIMISM IN ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

THUNDER BAY, ON: Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN) Grand Chief Stan Beardy issued the following statement regarding the recent appointment of Kenora Member of Parliament (MP) Greg Rickford as the new parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

“We are hopeful that Kenora MP Greg Rickford will be a strong advocate for Northern Ontario in his newly appointed position. He is familiar with the issues facing NAN communities, and is aware of the need for infrastructure upgrades in the areas of transportation, telecommunications and energy. We encourage MP Rickford to keep these important matters in mind in his new role and we wish him the best of luck,” said NAN Grand Chief Stan Beardy.

Nishnawbe Aski Nation is a political territorial organization representing 49 First Nation communities in James Bay Treaty No. 9 and Ontario portions of Treaty No. 5 – an area covering two thirds of the province of Ontario.

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