

VOTE ROBIN DECONTIE

For the Women's Representative

ALGONQUIN
ANISHINABEG NATION
TRIBAL COUNCIL

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ANNA COTE OF KITIGAN ZIBI, AND BETSY PIEN OF LONG POINT (WINNEWAY) FOR NOMINATING ME FOR THE WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE POSITION ON OUR ALGONQUIN ANISHINABEG NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL. I AM HONOURED THEY NOMINATED ME, AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR THEIR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. I ONLY HOPE TO DO RIGHT BY THEM. MIGWETCH.

I AM NOW APPROACHING MY SENIOR YEARS, AND THROUGHOUT MY LIFETIME I HAVE HAD THE HONOUR TO SERVE IN MANAGEMENT POSITIONS AND ON INCORPORATED BOARDS. I AM GLADLY SHARING 2 LETTERS OF REFERENCE FROM CHIEFS OF BOTH COMMUNITIES WHEREIN I CARRIED OUT MANAGEMENT POSITIONS. I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES I HAVE GAINED ALONG THE WAY. IT HAS BROADENED MY NETWORKING CAPACITY FOR CONTRIBUTING TO SYSTEMIC CHANGE IN QUEBEC FOR OUR PEOPLE, I WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS WORK. I CONSIDER MYSELF A LIFELONG LEARNER, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE LEARNING KNOWING THERE IS ALWAYS MUCH MORE TO LEARN.

AFTER ACCEPTING THIS NOMINATION, AND THEN WATCHING HOW THE MARK CARNEY GOVERNMENT OF CANADA WILL BE SCALING BACK ON FIRST NATIONS FUNDING TO COMMUNITIES IN ITS FEDERAL BUDGET OF 2026, I AM LOOKING TO THIS ROLE AS ONE THAT NEEDS TO BE RESOURCEFUL. THERE MAY BE CHALLENGING TIMES AHEAD AND I AM NOT GOING TO MAKE MANY PROMISES THAT MAY NOT BE REALISTIC AND MAY NOT COME TO FRUITION.

I WOULD LIKE TO ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY BASED CONVERSATIONS WITH WOMEN GROUPS
TO ENGAGE IN ADVOCATING FOR SYSTEMIC CHANGE, ALONGSIDE OUR CHIEFS LEADERSHIP, TO MEET OUR
NEEDS AS YOUTH, MOTHERS, AUNTS, AND GRANDMOTHERS. THERE IS STRENGTH IN NUMBERS WHEN WE
UNITE AND COLLABORATE TOGETHER AS DIVERSE GROUPS. I'M A STRONG BELIEVER IN THAT.

COMMUNITY WOMEN ALSO NEED ORGANIZED UPDATES TO KNOW WHAT WORK IS BEING CARRIED OUT FOR THEM, AND HOW THIS ADVOCACY IS RESULTING, AND WHAT CAN BE NEXT STEPS. IF I AM TO BE VOTED INTO THIS POSITION, I WOULD CREATE A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS TO BE COMMUNICATED WITH DIRECTLY FOR THIS ROLE.

TO VOTE ONLINE YOU MUST EMAIL A PICTURE OF YOUR STATUS CARD TO ELECTIONS@AANTC-CTNAA.CA BY NOVEMBER 26 TO BE EMAILED BACK A PIN CODE FOR DECEMBER 3 VOTING. OR YOU CAN VOTE IN-PERSON AT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY VOTING STATION ON DECEMBER 3RD, 2025.

MIGWETCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO READ THIS, I APPRECIATE IT.
MS. ROBIN DECONTIE
HONS BSW, B.ED., MSW
OTSTCFQ AND CFNHM



KITIGAN ZIBI ANISHINABEG

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August 12th, 2024

From: Chief Dylan Whiteduck

Re: Letter of Reference for Robin Decontie

To Whom This May Concern;

This is a letter of reference for Robin Decontie, B.S.W., B.E.D., MSW.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Robin Decontie who worked for Kitigan Zibi Health and Social services from frontline work capacities to administration into the Directorship role since 1998 to 2022. In addition, she served the community with the utmost respect and integrity.

Throughout her years during her work, she displayed commitment and dedication in her roles at our health centre. She worked collaboratively with the different administration sectors of the community, and made her best effort to make constructive community changes with the resources at hand. She successfully worked with outside organizations representing our health and social services professionally. She served on Boards of Directors as a delegate for Kitigan Zibi. Also, she was responsible and honest in the financial responsibilities she was mandated to oversee. She was trusted to oversee materials and fiscal affairs as all our administrative Directors were, and fulfilled those responsibilities to the best of her abilities.

I trust this affirmation will assist Robin in her future endeavors.

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Sincerely,

Chief Dylan Whiteduck Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg



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November 23, 2025

Greetings from Kitiganik:

This is a letter of reference for Robin Decontie.

Robin Decontie worked for our members of the Algonquins of Barriere Lake (a.k.a. Kitiganik, or Rapid Lake) from April 2023 to April 2025 as the community Director General. During that time, she was highly dedicated to her job with carrying out challenging remote work conditions. She has a strong skill base and work ethic that helped our community administration out of some very challenging circumstances. Robin treats community people with integrity and respect as she takes this very seriously. Her strengths were quite helpful in assisting our community in the initial stages of transitioning from co-management operations to autonomous operations under Chief and Council.

It was unfortunate she could not stay with us longer in the DG role under her own accord, however we appreciate her professional assistance when she is able to work for us.

I know Robin will give her best efforts to measure up to expectations of achieving goals of organizations in using the resources at hand to the best of her ability. We wish Robin the very best and it is a continued pleasure to work with her.

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Algonquins of Barriere Lake