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**MCHIGEENG FIRST NATION CHIEF AND COUNCIL ROBINSON-HURON
 TREATY ANNUITIES DISTRIBUTION DECISION**

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After hearing different perspectives during the numerous information sessions M'Chigeeng Chief and Council held over the past few months, it was decided by Chief and Council to conduct a poll to gather further information directly from band members on how best to distribute the Robinson-Huron Treaty (RHT) settlement to membership. This approach also provided a more convenient way for off-reserve band members to provide input. The poll opened on May 30, 2024, and closed on June 28, 2024, at 11 p.m.

Through many conversations with members at the information sessions and data acquired from the poll, two significant positions were revealed in terms of RHT distribution - many band members supporting equal distribution and many band members supporting age-based distribution. After reviewing these results, M'Chigeeng Chief and Council have unanimously decided to proceed with a path that acknowledges and respect both of those positions by instituting age-based distribution that starts with a larger base amount payment for all band members, with a smaller amount allocated to age-based distribution.

Each band member would receive a base amount of \$100K, and then receive an additional \$700 per year, then multiplied by your age as of September 09, 2023.

EXAMPLE CHART – FORMULA			
Base Amount + (\$700 x Age)			
<i>Base Amount</i>	<i>Additional Amount Per Year</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Total Distribution</i>
\$100,000.00	\$700.00	20 years old	\$114,000.00
\$100,000.00	\$700.00	50 years old	\$135,000.00
\$100,000.00	\$700.00	80 years old	\$156,000.00

The Chief and Council believe this approach represents a compromise between the two positions and signifies our respect for all members of the community.

It is important to note that younger M'Chigeeng band members will also be in a position to benefit more from future RHT payments, once the \$4 a year annuity is replaced by a more equitable and fair yearly payment based on the original intent of the treaty. Those negotiations will begin in due time.

As previously communicated, M'Chigeeng band members will not be receiving 100% payout of the RHT settlement, as M'Chigeeng Chief and Council have a fiduciary and legal responsibility to ensure a portion of these funds are put into trust for future generations of M'Chigeeng. Working together needed to decide what the right balance is between paying each member an individual amount and maintaining a collective amount for future generations in M'Chigeeng First Nation.

We are anticipating two payment dates for distribution of the funds. We will advise membership with exact dates for distribution of the funds upon release of funds from the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund (RHTLF).

Dates for collection for in person banking information will be:

PCD COLLECTION INFORMATION DATES		
DATE	LOCATION	TIME
July 04 & July 05, 2024	Community Complex • 94 HWY 551	10 am to 3 pm
July 08, 2024	AG Building • 146 Spring Bay Road	10 am to 3 pm
July 09, 2024	Sault Ste Marie, ON - Water Tower Inn • 360 Great Northern Road	2 pm to 8 pm
July 10, 2024	Sudbury, ON - Hilton Garden Inn • 475 Barrydowne Road	2 pm till 8 pm
July 11, 2024	Toronto, ON - Chelsea Hotel • 33 Gerrard Street West	2 pm till 8 pm
July 15, 2024	Lakeview School • 18 Lakeview Drive	2 pm till 8 pm
July 16, 17, 18, 2024	Community Complex • 94 HWY 551	2 pm till 8 pm

M'Chigeeng First Nation also will not be collecting any banking information from our administration building. The collection of information for the distribution will be done in collaboration with the Peace Hills Trust. The banking information will be collected either online or in person at the specified dates. More dates will be added next week.

We thank all band members for their helpful guidance on these critical topics.

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