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Dear Day Star First Nation Members:

Re: Status Update on Agricultural Benefits Claim

On behalf of Chief and Council of Day Star, we are pleased to provide you with an update on Day Star First Nation's Treaty 4 Agricultural Benefits Claim, also known as the "Cows and Plows Claim".

The Cows and Plows Claim is based on Canada's breaches of Treaty, fiduciary, trust and honourable obligations to fulfill the promises for the provision of agricultural benefits and instruction contained in Treaty No. 4.

Day Star filed the Cows and Plows Claim on April 3, 2023. Canada offered to negotiate a settlement on May 7, 2024. Day Star accepted Canada's offer to negotiate on June 6, 2024. Day Star and Canada then entered into a negotiation protocol, which required that confidentiality be maintained throughout the course of negotiations.

We are pleased to announce that, upon months of negotiations guided by Day Star's Elders, Day Star has accepted Canada's settlement offer in the amount of \$31,585,134 as compensation for the Cows and Plows Claim. This marks an agreement in principle, pending the outcome of a successful ratification vote and approval by our Members.

Information packages, which will include a copy of Settlement Agreement and Trust Agreement, will be available to members before the Information Meetings.

Leadership has scheduled Information Meetings in October for the purposes of explaining the proposed Settlement Agreement and related Trust Agreement. The exact location and times will be announced as soon as possible.

- Monday, October 19 – Day Star Communiplex
- Tuesday, October 20 - Saskatoon
- Wednesday, October 21 - Regina
- Thursday, October 22 - Winnipeg
- Friday, October 23 - Vancouver

The ratification vote will be scheduled for October 26, 2026.

We strongly encourage you to participate in the Information Meetings and to exercise your right to vote. Thank you for your patience, and we look forward to your participation as we consider these very important decisions for Day Star.

Respectfully,

Chief Whitehawk on behalf of Council