

# VOTE ERIN FERRANTE FOR TYENDINAGA MOHAWK COUNCIL

### WHO AM I?

Shé:kon My name is Erin Ferrante, I am Wolf Clan from Kenhtè:ke and I am running for a seat on Tyendinaga Mohawk Council. I grew up on the Territory, I live here, work here and am now raising my own family here with the same values and beliefs that I have been taught by my family and community. I am the daughter of Mary Ann Spencer and David Spencer and I share two sons with my husband of 12 years, Michele Ferrante. I have worked in the community for the past 8 years and am currently the Administrative Lead for Kenhtè:ke Midwives.

Through a lifetime of challenges and adversity faced as a Mohawk Woman, I have come to realize the importance of using my voice, not only to stand up for what I believe in, but to bring the voices of our community and next generations to the table. I want to see our community develop to its full potential, to become healthy, vibrant, and self-sustaining. With your support and guidance I think we can make positive change.

I am respectfully asking for your vote on December 4th, 2021.

## **GOALS**

My goals if elected to council are fluid so they can be moulded and developed as the needs of our community evolve. My intentions are to always remain open-minded and listen to the wants and needs of our community. With that in mind I propose the following ->

#### TRANSPARENCY

- Clear goal, agenda and direction of council
- Clear communication that is up to date, accessible and readily available
- Development of additional communication strategies such as text/email subscriptions, regular memo-style updates and increased social media updates
- Clear policies, procedures and decision making processes for all band programs including housing applications, new constructions, etc.

#### HEALTH PROMOTION/RECREATION

- Utilizing current resources to promote physical activity and health for youth and the community such as the sports complex and QMS
- Organization of sports teams such as T-ball, baseball, basketball, soccer, lacrosse, hockey, volleyball, gymnastics, etc. for all ages

#### ADVOCATE FOR FUNDING

- For additional housing
- For economic development that provides revenue and jobs for the community such as a Bingo Hall/Recreation Complex
- For upgrades to current community facilities, for example maintenance of the lacrosse box to allow for flooding for hockey
- For training older youth and parent volunteers to become coaches, referees and umpires

I promise that my intentions will always be community first. My vote will always consider how it affects the next generations. I will be honest, respectful and considerate of the voices that ultimately decide council.