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Mr. Jim Antoine,

The Fort Liard Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program has requested additional funding to enable the treatment of families effected by alcoholism and/or drug abuse. The Band Council would like to express their support for this request.

As a Band Council, we are concerned about our members and their well-being. As in most small communities in the North, alcoholism does not only effect the one person, but everyone who comes into contact with them. The families are extremely vulnerable because they are constantly exposed to this disease. You must be aware that a family that can heal together can grow together to become productive member of society. This is why we feel it is essential that the families of an alcoholic or a drug abuser get necessary treatment. "The circle can be broken", but mended with proper treatment.

We sincerely hope you realize the extreme immediate need for the additional funding to carry out the treatment of the families of an alcoholic and/or drug abuser. Thank you for taking the time to address this important issue.

Sincerely,

Chief Steve Kotchea

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cc. H. Dianne Fraser, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program