I am seeking your support as Chief of the Wood Mountain Lakota First Nation.

As many of you know I was first elected to counsel in 2005, following 2 terms as Councillor I was honored to be elected as Chief in which I served one term before returning to represent Band members as a Councillor until present. I have built a deep understanding of First Nations politics and the importance of preserving the ONLY Lakota Nation in our country.

I made the decision to run for Chief after experiencing frustration (even as a councillor) with the decline in communication, reduced transparency and weakening accountability that I see occurring.

Having recently retired from my Company, with my son Matt taking over the business, I am able to dedicate 100% of my time and energy to the position of Chief.

I believe frequent, consistent communication is critical and must occur with all Band members. It is band members who elect Chief and Counsel and it is Band members who Chief and Counsel work for and are accountable to.

I am therefore putting my name forward as a candidate for Chief. Believing that Chief and Council work for you, if I am elected, I will work with Council to achieve:

- Regular, consistent communication and transparency through pre-scheduled online zoom calls/ meetings with all band members welcome to join and participate regardless of where they live.

- **Fulfilling our Land Claims settlement** by purchasing land. I spent 11 years negotiating with the federal government and this is part of our settlement agreement. I will ensure this significant settlement preserves the Wood Mountain Lakota First Nation and benefits ALL Band members for generations to come.

- Creation of a Youth Council
- Creation of an Elders Council
- A new Election Act developed with Band Members

## - A more in depth financial report to be released to all Band members

## - Consultation with all Band members on all major financial decisions/expenses.

I will always be honest, I will tell you what I know even if it is not popular. I humbly request your support on October 2, 2024 as Chief of the Wood Mountain Lakota First Nation.

Thank you,

Dave Ogle

\*Should you wish to reach out with thoughts and identify important issues to you, I would appreciate hearing from you! Please do not hesitate to call me, I can be reached on my cell at 1-306-642-8777.