



SENECA-CAYUGA NATION

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Members of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation:

I write to you today with pride and a thankful heart. I am pleased to announce that each and every one of the Constitutional Amendments recently voted on in the Secretarial Election passed, most with over 60% voter approval. The vote counts were:

1. Raise quorum requirement for General Council Meetings from 30 to 225 Members -
360 FOR, 242 AGAINST, 0 ballots spoiled;
2. Raise petition requirement to request Special General Council from 30 to 175 Members -
364 FOR, 234 AGAINST, 0 ballots spoiled;
3. Raise terms of office for Business Committee Members from 2 years to 4 years -
334 FOR, 279 AGAINST, 2 ballots spoiled; and,
4. Change name to Seneca-Cayuga Nation -
373 FOR, 232 AGAINST, 1 ballot spoiled.

The passage of these Amendments is the beginning of a new era for our Nation. My beliefs that the best course for our people is one of inclusion and stronger, broader participation have now been affirmed. Yes now, we truly are one Nation.

I would like to thank Bureau of Indian Affairs Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent for the Miami, Oklahoma Agency, Mr. Paul Yates, Ms. Mary King and their staff. They were dedicated and committed - assuring our people a fair and impartial election process. They maintained a high standard of professionalism and courtesy, without fail.

I would also like to thank our own Nation Member and Secretarial Election Board Member, Mr. Raymond L. Rodgers. Ray's diligence throughout this election and his belief in the democratic process is something I will not soon forget, thank you Mr. Rodgers.

Last but certainly not least, thank you. Thanks to each and everyone who took the time to carefully consider every proposal, for the phone calls, for your questions and for your participation. I am humbled and honored to serve as Chief of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation.

Respectfully,



William L. Fisher, Chief
Seneca-Cayuga Nation