

April 13, 2009

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Dear Chairman John Barrett,

Bozho,

First of all I would like to say I am a proud member of the Great Citizen Potawatomi Nation. I am a descendant of Frank Darling. My grandfather was Edward Darling CP 318.

I was in attendance at the meeting when it was decided to leave our tribal monies in the tribe to be used as education, health, and housing for our elders. This was decided in lieu of each member receiving a Per Capita payment. It is the wisest move we have ever made as a tribe.

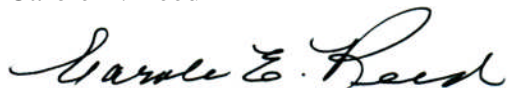
So, I have this to say to those members who are so unhappy, and think we should implement the Per Capita payment again. To quote Dr. Phil, "What are you thinking?".

Second: I am so thankful for our wonderful clinic, doctors and pharmacy. Also our lab, X-Ray, and all other departments. Without these things I could not survive. My medicine alone would take all of my Social Security check each month. I had open heart surgery in 2001. Between my Medicare and our tribal help, I paid not one red cent. How lucky are we to belong to such a well managed tribe.

Third: I, as a senior elder tribal member, recently received a beautiful 3 bedroom; 2 bathroom mobile home through our Housing Authority. I would like to thank Mr. Robert Carlile, Sherry Byers and all of their staff for making this all possible.

Again thank you Chairman Barrett, Vice Chairman Linda Capps and all of the staff for doing such a wonderful job of taking our tribe to the height we have obtained. I will again vote for Chairman Barrett in the upcoming Election.

Megwetch,
Carole E. Reed

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carole E. Reed".