

To: CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION MEMBERS

I want to encourage you to THINK before you vote in the CPN election for Chairman. Let us keep the business and sound minded leadership of John Rocky Barrett. I have witnessed the leadership he has given during the past 24 years. He has brought us to the point where we are now known as a very successful and progressive Indian Nation. He has won past elections with a 70 to 80% margin of votes cast. Unfortunately not every qualified CPN member voted.

It is so important for all CPN members to VOTE. Your ancestors gave you the right to vote in all elections. Do not throw this privilege away.

As an Elder I have been impressed by the positive leadership of John Rocky Barrett to bring the Citizen Potawatomi Nation up from a very poor Indian tribe to what it is now. We need to keep the same kind of positive and successful leadership we have had for the past 24 years. It would be impossible to list all of the successful programs our current CPN chairman, John Rocky Barrett has brought to us with support from Business Committee members and votes from Citizen Potawatomi members at Council Meetings.

A partial list of his successful leadership

We are now known as the Citizen Potawatomi Nation instead of the Citizen Potawatomi Tribe.

Another council vote was to make it possible to enroll our children and grandchildren on the Tribal Roll as descendants of Potawatomi ancestors. This vote increased our membership to 27,000. This makes it possible for them to be eligible for health care, scholarships for college or a technical school. Also, they can apply for other CPN programs.

We should be proud of our financial standing through our enterprises which provides employment for many qualified people.

We have health care. The CPN Clinic is a first class medical clinic staffed with outstanding doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other medical personnel. The CPN Wellness Center is known throughout the state as first class.

We have many programs to help Senior Citizens with housing, nutrition, and transportation just to name a few.

We now have a new Form of Government with representation of Legislators from all 9 Regions. A recent vote made this possible. This was just one of John Rocky Barretts vision for the Citizen Potawatomi Nation.

WE NEED THE SAME POSITIVE LEADERSHIP FROM JOHN ROCKY BARRETT
PLEASE VOTE

A proud elder of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation
Kenneth Peltier



CPN Voters

(Kenneth Peltier is an honored elder, former CPN Secretary-Treasurer, and US Navy veteran of WWII.)

As a Potawatomi Tribal Elder, I believe that this year's vote for Tribal Chairman is under the most urgent circumstances in the history of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. It is very important to make sure you vote.

I am very proud that the Citizen Potawatomi Nation holds the current position of being one of the leading Indian tribes in the nation. All of this was made possible under the leadership of John 'Rocky' Barrett. His leadership has helped to have a new form of government. Does the Citizen Potawatomi Nation really want to return to being a non-progressive tribe? Does the Nation really want to end 24 years of positive leadership?

Please vote for John 'Rocky' Barrett, a person who has used his business knowledge and experience to bring the Citizen Potawatomi Nation to the top. During his 24 years of leadership, business committee members have been committed to the same goals. The CPN Chairman and business committee members have made sure that educated and qualified people are hired for supervisor and director positions. These people are successful in what they do. When we vote we need to think of these people as a real asset.

Let us not vote for a person who does not have the leadership experience to keep us at the top of Indian Nations. We do not need a leader whose main issue is a Per Cap Payment. Stop and think about a vote for that issue. I would hate to see so many of our benefits go by the wayside in order to have a One-Time Payment in a very small amount paid to 27,000 Potawatomi members.

If you divide 27,000 into the profits made from CPN enterprises, you would not have a very big check. But, if you leave it as a whole, you are able to offer more benefits. Think about it! Medical/medicine, housing, environmental/safety, nutrition, death benefit, scholarships for our young people, and many other benefits.

Another issue of the other candidate for Chairman is to have an Absentee-Voter Tutor. My question is, "Why?" I have always voted absentee. The rules for absentee voting are very clearly stated. I follow the rules and know that my vote will be counted. I have never voted absentee and then turn up at the polls to vote in person. I have not tried to obtain an absentee ballot for a person not on the tribal roll.

It is very important to Vote, but think before you vote. Keep a well-qualified person in office.

Sincerely, Kenneth E. Peltier Sr.

Vote for John 'Rocky' Barrett!!

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