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Chief Stacey LaForme  
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**RE: Indigenous Engagement Working Group**

Chief, thank you for your letter of February 4, 2022. I also felt very grateful that we were able to come together for the Council to Council meeting last October and renew our wampum belt commitment.

The conversations and idea sharing were inspiring and a good starting point for future meetings. Councillor deBoer's suggestion of exploring development charges to benefit Indigenous communities and Councillor Innis adding to that discussion that we also look at parkland and greenspace dedication, is certainly a topic for more discussion.

As a first step, the Town established a staff led Indigenous Engagement Working Group to develop guidelines, procedures and identify staff resources. Once this preliminary work is done, we can move forward with meeting with your staff on this and other important issues.

Chief, I greatly value the relationship we have built together, and I see our two communities continuing to work and collaborate as joint caretakers of the land.

Thank you and warm regards,

Sincerely,

Allan Thompson  
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February 4, 2022

Dear Caledon Town Council,

As Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (“MCFN”), I am writing to you to express my gratitude for our joint Council to Council meeting on October 20, 2021. MCFN is very pleased with your efforts to strengthen and build relationships with our Nation. The renewal of the wampum belt marking the 200th anniversary of the Ajetance Treaty demonstrated your commitment to uphold your treaty responsibilities in a modern context; a meaningful step in honouring the promises made between our peoples.

Our Councillors and staff were delighted with the sentiments and questions brought forward by your Council. We would like to follow up on one of the comments made by Councillor Nick deBoer, where he suggested that MCFN could participate in the Development Charges By-Law and the Development Charges Act. We are interested in continuing the dialogue on this point and would like to meet virtually to discuss the topic further.

Please have your staff be in touch with Caytlen Burning, Council Coordinator at [Council.Coordinator@mncfn.ca](mailto:Council.Coordinator@mncfn.ca) to arrange a time to meet. I look forward to hearing from you with possible dates for the meeting so that we may further discuss MCFN’s involvement with the Development Charges.

Sincerely,

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**Chief and Council**

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