

## Office of the Chief Executive Officer

June 17, 2022

City of Saskatoon Naming Committee c/o City Clerk's Office 222 3rd Ave North Saskatoon, SK Canada S7K 0J5

Taanshi and hello,

I am writing for two reasons – first, to express my appreciation that the City of Saskatoon wants to honour the city's Métis heritage by naming a city street, and second, to request that the first named street be called "Michif".

As a first name, this word goes to the heart of Métis culture. For many it is used interchangeably with the word Métis and we speak of Michif language, Michif culture and Michif people. We will be pleased to see a street carry this proud name and would look forward to participating in any openings related to it.

Further, we understand the Naming Committee plans a process to expand the inventory of Métis and other Indigenous names to add to its master list of street name options. We will be happy to support this process, along with our local Elders and other citizens, and respect the City's movement in this direction as part of your reconciliation work.

Thank you again for your continued commitment.

Much respect,

Richard Quintal,

Chief Executive Officer,

Métis Nation – Saskatchewan.

