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A MESSAGE TO THE CITIZENS OF HALDIMAND COUNTY REGARDING THE CURRENT DEMONSTRATION AT DOUGLAS CREEK ESTATES IN CALEDONIA

The County recognizes and shares your concerns regarding the current event. However, we strongly request that calm and patience prevail during this difficult time to ensure the safety of the public.

The Six Nations and Haldimand County residents have a long tradition of cooperation and living in harmony. The County will continue to work with all groups to ensure this is maintained.

County officials have been meeting since the start of the current demonstration and continue to meet on a daily basis to ensure the continuation of County services throughout the community.

We expect that negotiations between the Federal and Provincial officials and the representatives of the Six Nations leadership will continue with a view to resolving this matter as soon as possible.

Although this is a difficult time, we encourage you to continue with your normal activities and allow the responsible parties to work on resolving this matter.

THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY