

Chiefs Council
Union of BC Indian Chiefs

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Chief Robert (Bob) Chamberlin
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Re: Vice President Candidate

Gilakasla UBCIC Chiefs Council

I am seeking your support in my pursuit of a third (3rd) consecutive term as your Vice President of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC). I have served faithfully to your direction and resolutions through out my previous two terms and seek to continue this service to your First Nations and communities.

I believe that I have demonstrated a deep and continuous dedication to advancing the mandate of the UBCIC at every opportunity. I have had the honor and privilege to visit virtually every First Nation Community that sought my presence in support of your efforts to safeguard your traditional territories consistent with your goals and direction.

I have dedicated a great deal of time to educate and inform myself to emerging Aboriginal Case Law and Government processes to truthfully advance a collective position in the UBCIC engagements with Government. I have never shied away from being honest and direct to speak the truth to what must be said in the rooms of government lead process.

Being from a coastal First Nation I assist the UBCIC in having balanced Provincial representation and ensure that perspectives of the isolated and rural First Nation communities have a voice to speak to this situation, that takes many forms across BC and the hurdles this manifests.

I have faithfully advanced the recognition of each First Nations authority within their Traditional Territories and speak directly for a fair, transparent and inclusive approach to the betterment of the communities we individually and collectively serve as leaders.

I have demonstrated leadership in areas such as Wild Salmon protection, Family & Children issues, Environmental standards, Education processes, Forestry related matters and the Health portfolio. Always seeking a path for leadership of First Nations to be heard, understood and direction embraced and incorporated in a path forward creating a better future for our peoples.

I have served as Chief Councilor of my First Nation for 12 years. My cultural teachings give me a strong foundation of respect for all First Nations and 20 years of sobriety and clean living prepares me for all challenges and keeps me available of clear mind, each day throughout the year.

In closing, I thank you for the privilege to represent you all as Vice President for the past 6 years. I trust that my efforts have been of matter and substance that this will assist you in providing your support for myself in the 2017 Vice President election.

Respectfully



Chief Robert (Bob) Chamberlin