

MEDIA STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



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PRESIDENT JOSEPH WILDCAT, SR. OFFERS CONDOLENCES ROCHE LOVED ONES

LAC du FLAMBEAU, Wis.—May 17, 2018—The Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa issued the following statement related to Antonio Monserrate Roche.

Media Statement:

“We are deeply saddened by the accidental drowning of one of our young people, Antonio Monserrate Roche in Pokegama Lake.”

“For those who know our Tribe, we are bound together by a common culture that places extraordinary value on community. Losing this young man tears at the tightly woven fabric of our community. We mourn with the family and loved ones who survive him.”

“Our people are strong and we will support one another in this time of mourning. Eventually we will heal. And with that healing will be a scar. A permanent representation and reminder of a life cut short.”

“This is an extremely trying time for the family. We ask out of respect for them and their loved ones that they receive the space and time they need to grieve.”

“Our Tribe is grateful for the vast number of people, agencies and resources who worked together to locate this young man.”

Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Joseph Wildcat, Sr., President

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