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Chief Guy Lonechild  
Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations  
Asimakaniseekan Askiy Reserve  
Suite 100 – 103 Packham Avenue  
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Dear Chief Lonechild,

Last week, in a public statement I reiterated the University of Regina's commitment to the founding mission of First Nations University of Canada – "to enhance the quality of life, and to preserve, protect and interpret the history, language, culture and artistic heritage of First Nations people." At that time, I also stated my desire to work constructively and respectfully with the provincial and federal governments as well as the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations to build a positive future for First Nations students in the province.

In that spirit of co-operation and respectful engagement for the benefit of First Nations education in Saskatchewan, I take this opportunity to invite you, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Regional Director General Riel Bellegarde, and the Honourable Rob Norris, Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour to meet with me at the University of Regina at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2010. It is my sincere hope that through this meeting, we can have a constructive discussion about our joint commitment to supporting the post-secondary education of First Nations peoples in Saskatchewan and Canada, as well as the ramifications of the current FNUiv funding crisis.

Please advise my office at 585-4696 as soon as possible regarding your willingness to attend this meeting, which I am pleased to host in my office, Room 514 of the Administration-Humanities building at the University of Regina.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Vianne Timmons".

Vianne Timmons  
President and Vice-Chancellor