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On Tuesday, September 9, 2025 the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe (SCIT) held the 2025 SCIT Primary Election. The Primary Election has identified those candidates who will advance to the General Election scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2025. The upcoming SCIT General Election will elect 12 candidates: ten in District 1, one in District 2 and one in District 3, to serve as representatives on the SCIT Tribal Council for a two-year term (2025-2027).

District 1 Tribal Members had the opportunity to select up to 20 candidates, from a list of 51, to move forward to the November 4th General Election. There was not a Primary Election held in District 2 or 3 in accordance with Ordinance 4 - Section 13, as there was a single candidate in both districts. Both of these candidates will move forward to the General Election in their respective districts.

Please see the attached election result sheet for complete details on the 2025 Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's Primary Election. The SCIT Election Caucus Committee has reviewed and certified the results of the Primary Election for 2025.

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is comprised of three districts that account for the total registered voting membership of 2,134. This accounts for 76.4% of the possible 2,793 members who had an ability to register to vote. The District 1 voting boundaries encompass all of Isabella County. Of the eligible 1,394 members in District 1, who had the ability to register to cast a ballot, 1,183 registered to vote. Voter participation in the 2025 District 1 Primary Election totaled 560 members and reflected a 47.34% turnout.

District 2 voting boundaries are within the Saganing Reservation in Arenac County and has 43 registered voters. There are currently 52 members that were eligible to register to vote in District 2. Finally, District 3, or the At-Large district, are those members who are reflective of the remaining tribal membership that live outside either of the boundaries of District 1 or 2. These members account for the remaining 908 registered voters. District 3 has a total of 1,347 members who were eligible to register to vote.

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