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# Shawna Boyer-Lesage

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Values: Humility | Respect & Anishnawbe Teachings

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## Proud Anishnaabe Kwe

I am thankful for the opportunity to be considered for Council, and support important decisions impacting the present, and future generations. I am involved in our community volunteering on the Education and Health committees. I held a seat on council three terms ago. I have skills to properly assess information to understand implications of decisions made for the community. I would like to explore ways to properly address our Off reserve members who are constantly seeking opportunities to be included. Both off reserve and on reserve members have a desire to be involved and contribute to improving Mississauga First Nation.

Our community members supported me to learn about our Anishnaabe ways of life, sacred teachings from knowledge carriers and ceremonies I have attended. As a result of receiving knowledge and teachings, I have a responsibility to give back to the community that has helped me to understand minobimaadziwin, the good life. My strengths are my ability to apply humility and respect in deliberating on fourth coming decisions. To have the courage to speak with honesty, and evaluate how decisions may impact the next seven generations and in ensuring the best outcomes for our community.

I work at Mamaweswen, The North Shore Tribal Council with the Koognaasewin Project a Child Wellbeing Law Initiative for the North Shore First Nations. My experience is in prevention services work, governance, social services (youth programs), and administration work in First Nations. My education includes an Indigenous Women in Community Leadership certificate, an Advanced Public Relations Diploma and need three courses for a Public Administration Degree.

## Personally:

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Giizhhiibaaswe Ekwe  
dizhnaakaaz, miigiizii dodem  
endow, Mississauga doonjibaa.  
Hello relatives, my name is  
Shawna Boyer-Lesage, my spirit  
name is Soaring Eagle woman,  
of the Eagle Clan. I am humbled  
to accept the nomination for a  
seat on Council. Chi-Miigwetch  
to my nominators, Nora and  
Jessica Boyer. I am truly proud  
to represent the Boyer's, and be  
a member of this beautiful,  
strong, and resilient community,  
that I have the honour to call  
my home, Mississauga First  
Nation.

My Wife, Malz Lesage, and I live  
on the reserve. Malz is from  
Garden River First Nation. Malz  
helped me to recognize the  
importance of growing  
together, my self awareness,  
and value of partnership and  
love. I grew up here with my  
mom, Roberta Boyer and Sister,  
Shannon Boyer who have been  
my supporters throughout my  
life. My Dad, Cletus Boyer, has  
taught me about the values of  
religious beliefs.

If you have any questions  
please email me at,  
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Miigwetch for taking a minute  
to read my platform.

**Our community is stronger working together!**