## NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN 49855 December 8, 1972

OFFICE OF AMERICAN INDIAN PROGRAMS

> Mr. Eugene Crawford National Indian Lutheran Board c/o L. C. - U. S. A. 130 North Wells Street Chicago, Illinois 60606

Dear Mr. Crawford:

I am writing in regard to the proposal for the Nishnawbe News. Within the past two weeks we've received replys from Campaign for Human Development and the Executive Council for the Episcopal Church, both unable to assist our project. As we project our plans for the remainder of the year, we face important decisions all pointing toward a reduction of operation.

It is our hope that your board is still favorable toward offering assistance to the Nishnawbe News. No doubt your activities have kept you on the move as we've had no reply from you or the board to this date. We did receive, by return mail, the newspapers you had requested to be sent to New York (Commodore Hotel). Hopefully their return does not indicate a denial of consideration by the Lutheran Board for funding.

We shall be happy to supply any additional data that might be necessary to assist our request for funding. As you are aware, the continued operation and service the newspaper provides our Indian people as a communication link is predicated on our being successful in securing funds. Any assistance your board can render will insure its continued success and future operation.

You might be interested to know our editor was recently elected regional representative to the board of the American Indian Press Association.

We shall be looking forward to your reply. Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

RRB/mjh
cc: Nishnawbe News Staff

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