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Six Nations Mourns the Passing of Former Elected Councillor Deborah Styres Hill

On April 18, 2023, with family by her side, former Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Councillor Deborah Lee Styres-Hill peacefully made her journey to the spirit world. As a result of a by election for the Forty Eighth Elected Council Deborah was appointed for Direct #3, replacing George Bomberry from 1992 to 1993. Deborah was re-elected as the Councillor for District #3 under the Forty-Ninth Elected Council from 1994 to 1995.

She came to Council on a mission to make a change. Her dedication to community and political advocacy is resounding today in education, employee wellness and special needs and mental health healthcare.

During her forty-eighth Elected Council term she was Band Council Representative on the board of directors for the Six Nations Special Services for Special People – now known as Ronatahskats (Six Nations Community Living). Additionally, she sat on the building committee for the Building Project of I.L. Thomas Elementary School.

During her forty-ninth term, she continued her works from her previous term. She participated in the review of Employment Policy, and she was one of the Council Members that sat on Elections Guidelines Committee.

Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Deborah Lee Styres-Hill. Our thoughts, prayers, and good medicine are with her loved ones through this difficult time. As we reflect on her life, we are honored to witness her tremendous contributions to the Six Nations community.

“Our hearts go out to Deborah’s family and friends as we mourn her extraordinary life,” said current Elected Chief Mark B. Hill. “Deborah’s leadership and advocacy for the Six Nations Community will never be forgotten.”

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