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Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee:

My name is Micah Bisbee, an enrolled tribal member of the Nez Perce Tribe. I am writing this letter regarding the non-profit organization I created, the Nimiipuu Help Base – COVID19. My family and I have been running this organization for six months now on our own with the help from both tribal and community members. We have ran this organization purely off of donations: monetary, food and cleaning supplies.

I would like to inform all NPTEC members and EOC members that my family and I will not be able to run the Help Base for the next three to four weeks. My mom is scheduled for surgery in near future, she will need my dad's and my undivided attention at all times. With this being said, I am requesting the Nez Perce Tribe to please assist in the take over of the Nimiipuu Help Base.

With all this stated, my family and I can no longer continue running this organization with no help, we have been running on our own time and energy, we could be spending time together when we need it most, but we have put our livelihoods to the side to serve our people; as we were raised this way. I would enjoy spending time with my family without having to worry about our community members because no one else is worrying about them.

I am also tired of hearing what community members are saying about my family and I when they have never raised a finger to help their people. I just graduated from college with my bachelor's degree and stepped up immediately to help my people when they needed it most. I am sure the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee feels the same way as I do and wants to help their people. Well now is your chance to step up and continue what I have started.

Respectfully,

Micah Bisbee