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Hello Reeves, councillors, and administrators, my name is Shawn Kramer and I am seeking your support to become your SARM Division 3 Director. My family is the third generation on our land and run a grain/beef operation in the southwest Hatton hills area. My wife Michelle and I have two girls, Ashley who works in Saskatoon at a private firm as a project planner and Allison who will be in her third year this fall at the U of S as a geology major. I have been a councillor for 11 years and the deputy reeve for 9 years in the RM of Maple Creek 111. I have had many opportunities to sit on joint committees with other levels of municipal government as well as being the representative on the SAMA advisory board for Division 3. I spoke at the SARM convention in 2023 on a fireside chat panel with Jay Meyer, former executive director of SARM, Brady Berg Mayor of Frontier and Lisa Peters, from the RM of Edenwold about how to attract the next generation of local leaders to rural government. I feel these past roles and experiences have made me ready to take on the role of Division 3 Director.

I believe this position is about the current needs of RMs in the southwest and maintaining how strong we are, while continuing to grow. I believe this role is about your RMs concerns and the support that is needed from the SARM board to which then lobby the provincial and federal governments to ensure the division's voices are heard regarding legislation, government funding and programs. Through these legislative processes I will work with you to ensure the future sustainability of our RMs. I believe this position is not about me, it is about focusing on what your RM's want and need. I am passionate about the southwest and continuing the rural way of life and want to see it be strong for future generations.

In closing, my experience in municipal government and my passion for the rural life and its success make me feel that I am ready to work on your behalf and be the leader that your RMs can trust to be there to listen and come up with meaningful solutions for the southwest and the division. Please reach out anytime to discuss any topics in your RM, I always enjoy hearing what is happening in other areas and meeting new people. I will be your voice to represent Division 3 and I humbly ask for your vote in this election.

Thank you for your consideration,

Shawn Kramer