Wakinyan Wanbli



Hau Mitakuyepi

Yahípi kin le iblúškin yélo. Lakhóta iyá Wakinyan Wanbli emákiyapelo. Malákhota nahan imatan. Oyáte mitháwa kiŋ Sičhanğu ewíčhakiyapi. Sičhanğu oyánke el omáwapi. Sičhanğu oyánke héčhiya tanhán wahí yelo. Hihan Sun Wapaha outuŋwe hemataŋhaŋ. Thakhiyuha Wi ogna mathunpi. Ble Ota Otunwe el wathí. Khanze Makobspe el mathunpi. Waniyetu wikčémna yam sám yam. Wabláwa k'a nakúŋ htawáni yelo. Htawáni pejuta na wathotho wowazu. Mnisota Wounspe Wakantuya el wablawa na wounspe khuwa hemačha... Dakod unspémič'ičhiye. Dakhodia wóhdake nina wastewadakedo. Wounspe wičhakiya mitawa kin Sisoka Duta na Čante Maza na Četan Nunpa na Bloketu Win ewičhakiyapi. Mitakuye Oyasin. Pilamayayapi.

Wasicu iya woglake ktelo.

Hello relatives.

I am happy you are all here. They call me Wakinyan Wanbli. I am a Lakota person and I am delighted to share. I am a member of the Burnt Thigh Nation from the Spotted Owl Bonnet community located on the Rosebud Reservation in South Central, South Dakota. While living in different Native communities including the Rosebud Reservation, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, and

Minneapolis. I have had the privilege of serving the youth in various capacities such as a Youth Development Professional at the Boys and Girls Club of Rosebud, Assistant Director of the Summer Recreation program at the St. Francis Indian School. During my time in Northern Minnesota, I worked at the Abinojii Oshki Bimadiziwin center as a Family Service Advocate for the Early Headstart Program and Head Start program located in Cass Lake, MN. I am currently a student at the University of Minnesota where I am learning the Dakota Language with my relatives. I am thankful to be here as a part of the Native communities in Minnesota. All my relations.

Thank you all.