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[00:00:34] **Ethan Brown** I only speak as an individual. Our troubled government represents the Tribe. That's the way it should be.

[00:00:48] **Ethan Brown** I don't like to do interviews because there's so much to say.

[00:00:57] **Ethan Brown** A lot of things have happened in this place. This is the oldest reservation.

[00:01:07] **Ethan Brown** Federal recognition has brought us many opportunities to make our communities stronger and healthier, as well as to recover things that were lost in the past.

[00:01:24] I'm most looking forward to starting a language program. Our language was mostly lost. But I don't agree with people who say that language is what defines a culture.

[00:01:40] **Ethan Brown** There's an elder here who says "our culture is our culture." And I get that because our culture didn't die in the 1600s at Jamestown. Our culture has evolved over the past 400 years here on the reservation. Our shared memories and stories and all the things that have happened—that is our culture.