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NTI Board of Directors Meeting Concluded in Ikaluktuutiaq

(March 28, 2022, Iqaluit, Nunavut) Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (NTI) Board of Directors concluded their Board of Directors meeting last week in Ikaluktuutiaq.

Highlights from the meeting include resolutions:

The Board of Directors supports Phase 1 of the CanArctic Inuit Network's SednaLink Undersea Fibre Project. NTI calls on the Government of Nunavut to reconsider its plans to bring fibre to Iqaluit and Rankin Inlet and engage with NTI on how to maximize the impact of infrastructure investments to create an expanded fibre network to improve broadband connection for as many Inuit communities as possible.

Approve the 2022-2023 distribution from the Nunavut Trust, in the amounts of:

NTI budget of \$29,421,334, an increase of 2.5%

Qikiqtani Inuit Association budget of \$14,386,580, an increase of 6.6%

Kivalliq Inuit Association budget of \$8,625,112, an increase of 7.5%

Kitikmeot Inuit Association budget of \$8,601,199, an increase of 4.4%

Inuit Heritage Trust budget of \$2,171,259, an increase of 5.4%.

Approve the Nunavut Harvesters Support \$1,533,750 budget, a program administered by the Regional Inuit Associations (RIAs) in the amounts of:

Qikiqtani Inuit Association budget of \$633,510

Kivalliq Inuit Association budget of \$475,716

Kitikmeot Inuit Association budget of \$424,524.

Other notable discussions include the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (DNLUP). The Board of NTI discussed in general terms, the land use planning process. The Board recognizes that RIA's and NTI, as land owners, have a key role in representing Inuit interests regarding what occurs on Inuit Owned Lands (IOLs). Land use planning should reflect the priorities and values of Inuit, and the goals and objectives of RIA's and NTI for IOLs at every stage of the process and especially when the Nunavut Planning Commission takes the step of redrafting the 2021 DNLUP.

NTI Board of Directors made a donation to the Cambridge Bay Community Food Bank and the Mayor's Elder's Advisory Council in the amount of \$5000 each, in lieu of a community feast due to covid restrictions.

More information on approved policies can be found on NTI's website: www.tunngavik.com

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